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Grant is letdown for town hospice

A HOSPICE in Stourbridge has won a share of a multi-million pound government funding scheme.

But bosses at the Mary Stevens Hospice in Hagley Road say the money they will get, about half a million pounds, may not be enough for them to carry out their plans.

The hospice is one of six regional centres to share £60 million.

The Mary Stevens cash will go towards a £750,000 project to create a spiritual space, and to start a community support project.

But chief executive Peter Holliday said: "We are delighted, but in reality we hoped to be awarded more."

"If we cannot find the additional funding then we hope to try and run a stripped-down service for the community and if that isn't possible we may have to consider giving up the funding."

The group will now seek additional cash through fundraising.

At the initiatives launch, Deputy Prime Minister Nick Clegg said: "This extra funding will help bring hospices up to date, so staff and volunteers can work in modern environments."

Death ruled an accident

A VERDICT of accidental death was recorded on Stourbridge care worker Samantha Jennings, 26, who died when the car she was travelling in hit a wall and a tree.

She was not wearing a seatbelt, the hearing heard. The smash happened on the A449 at Cookley.

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CANALSIDE HOMES PLAN IS WELCOMED

by Lee Watton

PLANS to build a canalside housing estate next to a proposed £5 million glass museum in Stourbridge have been welcomed as a boost for the town.

Almost 50 homes will be built on part of the former Stuart Crystal Works site in Wordsley under the proposals by Morris Homes Ltd.

The scheme has been recommended for approval by officers who said it would help to breathe new life into the redundant site off Argyle Close. And Councillor Derrick Hemingsley, who represents Wordsley, said he was pleased the site was being revamped.

Expert hails rail bus as way forward

A RAIL shuttle service in Stourbridge is being held up as the way forward for the national rail network in a new book.

In The Great Railway Conspiracy, trains expert David Henshaw hails the Parry People Mover.

He says the rail bus, which ferries more than 500,000 passengers a year between Stourbridge Town and Junction stations, could be used to bring back into use branch lines which were axed 50 years ago.

The lightweight rolling stock is powered by a 2.3 litre car engine.

"It could be the future for many lines," said Mr Henshaw, aged 53, who lives in Dorset.

John Parry, chairman of JPM Parry & Associates, Cradley Heath, the company behind the People Mover, said: "It's about time someone noticed what we are doing."

"It has been an eyesore for some time and this development can only be for the better," he said. "I fully support this. It will be a real improvement for the area."

A final decision on whether to grant planning permission will be made by councillors on April 22.

Under the proposals 26 apartments and 22 three and four-bedroom properties would be built overlooking the Stourbridge Canal, which runs through the former glassworks.

Regenerate

In a report to councillors on April 22, planning officer Vijay Kaul said the proposed development "respects the character and distinctiveness of the area."

He added the application provided an opportunity to regenerate that part of the borough.

The museum plans are being led by Complex Development Projects, which owns the land, and Dudley Council.

They are waiting to hear if a £2million bid for European funding has been successful.

The museum will house glass collections from across the region and is expected to attract thousands of visitors.

Model show pulls in the crowds



MORE than 1,500 model train enthusiasts flocked to the Stourbridge Railway Society's 25th anniversary show. This elaborate model layout was just one of many. One depicted trains running in the Iraqi desert

● Full story and more pictures - See Page 14

Work due to start on hotel scheme

DEVELOPERS are poised to start clearing a site earmarked for a £6million hotel and restaurant in Stourbridge.

Work to demolish existing buildings to make way for the new Premier Inn will get under way in the next month.

There will also be a Brewers Fayre restaurant and 122 parking spaces at the site off Birmingham Street.

The land was used for many years by Cox Hire Ltd but the firm has moved to Netherton.

Councillors have welcomed the hotel plan as a move which could encourage visitors to the area.

Councillor Colin Wilson said: "There is a dearth of hotels in the borough so this application is very welcome and to throw a restaurant in as well is a very good thing."

The 80-bed hotel will create 43 full-time and 22 part-time jobs and there will be extra jobs during construction.

A spokesman for Premier Inn said it was hoped that construction would start in late autumn and the hotel would open in spring 2014.

Handcrafted glass prizes

STUNNING glassware has been handcrafted for the winners of the Mayor of Dudley's civic awards.

The pieces, by renowned artist Allister Malcolm, will be presented to the winners and runners-up, and a special piece will go to the winner of the mayor's award.

The ceremony is on April 26 at Dudley Town Hall.

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National honour for lead nurse Sara



Staff nurse Hayley Price, left, Sister Rebecca Turley and Sara Davis

A DUDLEY nurse has won a national award for clinical excellence and working to improve patient care.

Sara Davis was presented with the Ward Sister of the Year accolade at this year's Nurse Awards in a ceremony held recently in London. She is lead nurse on the acute medical ward at Dudley's Russells Hall Hospital where she has

worked for 11 years. Mrs Davis, aged 42, of Kidderminster, was nominated by patients, staff and management at the hospital.

She was presented with her trophy by Chief Nursing Officer of England Jane Cummings and TV presenter Fiona Phillips, who hosted the event.

Mrs Davis was accompanied at the ceremony by her husband Nigel

and hospital colleagues. "It was a wonderful night and very humbling to be amongst such wonderful nurses," she said.

"I am very proud to have received it. To receive such wonderful support from patients and staff was very moving. I could not have achieved it without my team."

The annual awards celebrate excellence in nursing.

Air-gun yobs damage war memorial window

AIR-GUN wielding vandals have shot holes in a stained glass church window installed as a memorial to Lye soldiers who lost their lives in the Second World War.

Worshippers at Christ Church, High Street, were devastated to find six bullet-shaped holes had been made in the ornate window, including one in the arm of a soldier depicted on the glass.

Although the glass is protected by a wire mesh to stop bricks being thrown at it, the protection was not enough to prevent air-gun pellets causing damage.

The window is engraved with the names of men from the town who were killed during the conflict between 1939 and 1945.

It is believed to have been installed in the early-1950s as a lasting tribute to those who had given their lives.

The Rev Simon Falshaw said everyone had been very upset by the attack on the window but pledged it would be repaired.

"The window was shot with an air-gun which has made six or seven holes in the glass," he said.

"It is a beautiful window and a tribute to soldiers who lost their lives in conflict. It really is devastating someone would do this."

"Repairs will be carried out but it may be a long process."

"Most of the costs will be covered by insurance but there will be an excess to pay of between £500 and £1,000."

"However, the difficulty will be in



The Rev Simon Falshaw shows where the stained glass memorial window was damaged by air-gun pellets

finding someone who can actually carry out the repairs.

"The window is very ornate and requires specific skills and techniques to make the repairs."

"We will find someone and the window will be restored to how it appeared before."

Mr Falshaw said people could con-

tribute to the repairs if they wished by calling him on 01384 423142.

The church celebrated its 200th anniversary in January.

It first opened its doors to residents, mostly industrial workers, for Sunday services in 1813.

A book of commemoration to accompany the window and includ-

ing entries of each soldier killed in the conflict was written a few years ago by historians in the town.

A ceremony to mark the completion of a £40,000 project to restore the church bells was held in January. Replacement pieces, including new headstocks and clappers, had to be specially designed.

Daytime police patrols may be cut back

POLICE in North Worcestershire may cut down on daytime patrols in favour of more effective work at night, it has been revealed.

Superintendent Kevin Purcell said funding cuts meant everything was under scrutiny.

He was speaking just weeks after it was announced that 31 West

Mercia Police buildings would be closed, 21 of these being recognisable police stations. This included Hagley being replaced by a community outpost. Mr Purcell, who is in charge of Wyre Forest, Redditch and Bromsgrove districts in the West

Mercia force, said: "People like to see police officers but some of the

most effective policing is done when the 'bobbies' are out there - late evening and overnight."

"People may need to get used to living with the knowledge that while they're in bed is when patrols are most active. Maybe that's the time when we will police with more officers." The force is wrestling with

£20 million in funding cuts. West Mercia police commissioner Bill Longmore previously said station closures would save the force £1.5m, equivalent to 30 police salaries.

Superintendent Purcell, who is based in Kidderminster, said "We're still confident we'll be able to deliver a good police service."

Teenager is tagged for throwing post at car

A TEENAGER was part of a group of youths who attacked slow-moving cars during heavy snow in the Black Country, a court was told.

The 15-year-old from Sedgley was spared being locked up with magistrates warning him it was his final chance. He was one of three teens who threw missiles at cars as they navigated wintry conditions on Wolverhampton Road.

Dudley Youth Court heard how the schoolboy, who cannot be named for legal reasons, was with friends throwing snowballs at vehicles at 10pm on January 17.

The teen picked up a rock and smashed the back window of a Vauxhall Zafira, a few minutes later he and his gang launched a fence post at a car driven by a woman, the court heard.

The teen and his two friends also threw a bin lid at another car.

The schoolboy pleaded guilty to three acts of criminal damage and to assault on a 13-year-old boy. Magistrates sentenced him to an 18-month rehabilitation order and an 18-month supervision requirement. He will have to wear a tag with a curfew of 7pm to 7am seven days a week and was ordered to pay £780 compensation.

Metro lines reopened

THE Midland Metro was reopened this week after being closed for two and a half weeks for platforms to be altered.

Engineers have been cutting about 15cm off the platforms so that they can accommodate a larger fleet of trams due to come into use next year.

The Metro line between Wolverhampton and Birmingham Snow Hill was closed to prepare platforms for the new £40m fleet of bigger trams in 2014.

The new 20-strong Spanish-built fleet will allow for 10 services an hour.

Having your say

THERE will be a chance for people from areas of Stourbridge and Cradley to have their say about local issues at a forum on St George's Day.

The event, due at Ambleside Church Hall, Vicarage Road, Stourbridge, on April 23 from 6.30 to 8.30pm, is organised by Dudley Council.

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Maternity unit set to get £41,000

A MATERNITY unit at Dudley's Russells Hall Hospital will get a £41,000 revamp to help women receive "the best possible care" thanks to a Government grant.

Cash will be spent on refurbishing the Midwife Led Unit (MLU) to create a "homely" setting for mothers-to-be. It is offered to pregnant women, who are considered low risk, as an alternative to home birth.

The work will include fitting subdued lighting to resemble a star-lit sky, installing artwork and providing birthing balls, stools, mats and bean bags to add to the popular birth pool.

Active birth classes will be offered to help women familiarise themselves with the hospital's labour and birth equipment to help them feel less anxious about giving birth.

The hospital's maternity department received the cash as part of a nationwide £25 million Department of Health scheme to help improve maternity facilities.

Head of midwifery Steph Mansell said there had been an increasing demand on the hospital's maternity services, which reached more than 5,000 births in the 2011/12 financial year.

Matron Yvonne Jones said: "In the coming 12 months we intend to offer the MLU as an option to 'low-risk' women."

Yob attacks pensioners

AN elderly couple were attacked by a thug with an iron bar during a robbery in Netherton.

The victims, in their 70s, were walking along Knighton Road when they were approached from behind.

The elderly man was hit on the leg with the iron bar and the attacker demanded he hand over his wallet, he then hit the man's wife twice after saying he had no wallet.

The yob then grabbed hold of her handbag before jumping on to a BMX bike and cycling off at around 11.10pm on April 3.

Families wanted

THE hunt is on for families keen to join a trip to a picturesque French town to celebrate 25 years since it was twinned with a Kinver. Contact Sandra Dennick on 01384 873665 or Sarah Davies 01384 873016.

Mother ready to flee war-threatened country



Irina James - lives in Seoul

MOTHER-OF-TWO Irina James is waiting "on tenterhooks" with her bags packed ready to flee South Korea in the wake of sabre-rattling war talk from the country's northern neighbour.

Irina recently moved from Norton, Stourbridge, to the South Korean capital of Seoul. The former language coordinator at Halesowen College is now based at an international school in Seoul.

The school, where she is head of languages, has advised pupils and staff to be packed ready to evacuate to Thailand if the threat from North Korea's leader Kim Jong Un is stepped up.

German-born Irina, who is in her mid-50s, said: "We are on tenterhooks here. Bags packed,

ready for evacuation to Thailand. It's tense, but we are still sitting tight. Business as usual.

"We foreigners have, hopefully, a ticket out of here, when push comes to shove. The South Koreans have nowhere to go. I am thinking of my colleagues, the kindest and most helpful people you could wish for. They have to endure these threats and odious rhetoric year after year.

Bracing

"The South Koreans, although concerned, are a stoic lot. They have heard it all before. This time it is more aggressive though."

Irina said people in Seoul were bracing themselves in case Kim Jong Un followed up his

warlike gesturing with action. This is what we think will happen. From now onwards we can expect a rocket making its way to one of the islands," she said.

"Kim Jong Un's father did something similar a few years back."

She added: "People in Seoul are OK at the moment. We have all registered with our respective embassies and they would alert us about any imminent emergencies, measures and evacuation procedures."

Irina, who has two grown-up sons, was brought up in Berlin but came to England in 1987 and settled in Stourbridge. She took up her present role in Seoul in October.

Inquest verdict on asthma boy leaves parents unhappy

Stepping out to boost charity



Dudley Mayor and Mayoress Melvyn and Michelle Mottram start off the Stroke Association walk at the Dell Stadium before doing the first lap with the walkers

FUNDRAISERS took to the running track for a fun 5k challenge to raise money for a charity helping those recovering from strokes.

It was organised by people attending Dudley Stroke Association's weekly fitness classes at the Dell Stadium, Pensnett.

Classes have run for a year and members wanted to set themselves a challenge as well as raise cash for the charity.

About 20 people took part in the event, which was started by Mayor of Dudley Melvyn Mottram and his wife and Mayoress Michelle, who walked the first lap. Walkers were joined by workers from Dudley Stroke Association and park rangers. Organisers

are counting sponsor money and proceeds of a cake stall and tombola.

Charity trustee Anne Adams said they planned to make it an annual event after people completed as much as the walk as they were able to - some in stages.

She said: "It was so encouraging to see people who have had strokes walk around the track, even in short stages."

The mayor nominated the association as one of his charitable causes in his past year in office. People recovering from a stroke are also invited to join the Dell Fitness Class, which is organised through park rangers at the stadium each Wednesday between 10.30am and 11.30am.

THE parents of tragic Wordsely eight-year-old Owen Jeremy have spoken of their "disappointment" at an inquest verdict that laid no blame at the door of the hospital where he was treated.

Owen's parents, Rowena and David Jeremy, are now considering whether to take legal action over Dudley's Russells Hall Hospital's treatment of him when he was admitted after an asthma attack.

Mrs Jeremy, of Clock Tower View, said, despite a "natural causes" verdict in which the coroner described Owen's care as being "proper, careful and appropriate", she has been told the hospital's own inquiry has ruled that the effectiveness of the sporty youngster's treatment with nebulisers was not evaluated.

She said she was told by the hospital that an order has been issued to staff on the children's ward to make sure the effectiveness of nebulisers is evaluated and documented, as one of the "learning points" from the tragedy.

"We are disappointed by the inquest verdict and that the coroner did not feel there was any neglect," said Mrs Jeremy, aged 38, who works for the MET Office.

"We are now working with our legal team to see where we go from here.

Panicked

"Key for us is the monitoring of the effectiveness of treatment with nebulisers, which is highlighted in the hospital trust's own root cause analysis."

The inquest, held in Smethwick last Wednesday, heard Owen was given at least four nebulisers of Salbutamol, used to open up the air passages in the lungs, before it was found to be having little effect.

An attempt by a doctor to insert an intravenous line for medication failed when Owen, who had told his mother he was "scared of dying", panicked.

And, when staff then gave him a nebuliser containing the stress hormone adrenaline, he ripped off his mask, went into respiratory arrest and died just after midnight on May 24, the day after he was admitted to hospital.

Owen was the only child of 38-year-old Mrs Jeremy and her husband, aged 41.

The youngster, an active child who loved playing football and swimming despite suffering from asthma, was taken to hospital by his mother on the afternoon of May 23 after he fell ill at his school, Fairhaven Primary, Wordsley.

Miss Anna Diamond, representing the family, questioned staff closely during the



Owen Jeremy, aged eight, died in hospital five-hour inquest in Smethwick about Owen's treatment.

It included the heat on the ward and the decision to give him an adrenaline nebuliser after he panicked and refused to let a doctor insert an intravenous line for medication.

Black Country Coroner Robin Balmain said: "It seems to me he has had extremely careful and competent treatment."

Mr Balmain said it was unfortunate that the hospital's senior registrar, who treated Owen on the tragic night, Dr Kamanee Upatissa, was not at the inquest after moving to a new job in Sri Lanka and her evidence was given in a statement.

Paula Clark, chief executive of the Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust, said: "Any death of a patient is tragic but a child's death is particularly so."

"We would like to take this opportunity once again to express our sincere condolences to the family of Owen Jeremy."

"A thorough review was undertaken and the Trust acknowledges the coroner's verdict."

NEWS in brief

£500,000 to keep officers on beat

WEST Mercia Police will spend about £500,000 equipping officers with laptops so they can spend more time on the beat.

The force will give hundreds of its 2,100 officers the hardware so they can complete reports without having to return to their desks between jobs.

Superintendent Kevin Purcell said the cost would be repaid through savings. He said: "Our biggest cost will always be officer hours and we must get maximum benefit for every hour we have."

Plans for cottages handed approval

PLANS to restore three former weavers cottages have been approved despite reservations from some councillors.

Wyrw Forest District Council's planning committee approved plans for the 18th century properties in Horsefair, Kidderminster.

Although the plans were given the go-ahead, a number of members said this was only because it was the only option on the table.

Hospital trust is to shed 300 jobs

AROUND 300 clerical and administration jobs at Worcestershire's three hospitals are under threat as part of cost-cutting plans.

Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust, which runs Kidderminster Hospital, needs to save £60 million by 2017 and axe 300 non-clinical posts from its 6,000 staff.

Hill family history at church talk

BLACK Country author Don Cochrane will be giving a talk on the history of the Hill family of Lye and their connection with Christ Church.

The family includes Thomas Hill, who built the church and his grandson Henry Thomas Hill, who was the first vicar.

The talk will beat Christ Church, High Street, Lye, at 7.30pm on Wednesday April 24. All are welcome.

Oliver! wants more

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NEWS

THE BEST OF PETER RHODES



THE First World War kicked off in Bosnia. Argentina invaded the Falklands. North Korea is threatening to attack Guam. It is a worrying theme of history that was sent to start in places you can't find on the map.

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A SURVEY reveals that the worst thing you can say to a plump but non-pregnant woman is: "When's the baby due?" At least it's better than: "Twins, is it?"

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GIRL Guides have voted overwhelmingly for the Sun to scrap its Page 3 nudes. I bet they are pushing at an open door. Rupert Murdoch hinted only a few weeks ago that he was considering the future of the tabloid's daily diet of flesh. If mighty Murdoch bows to the will of the Girl Guides it will win him a little credit in these dodgy, post-Leveson times.

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TALKING of which, hasn't it all gone very quiet on the proposed Royal Charter to regulate the Press? We seem to have reached the stage where most politicians support it but most of Fleet Street seems unwilling to sign up to it. Maybe if we are all very, very quiet, it'll go away.

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I DID not much care for Maggie Thatcher or some of the changes she wrought. But I find it odd that so many people who were barely out of their prams when she was in power have such violent opinions about her. If you can't remember the 1970s, you are entitled to your opinion but your rage is purely bogus.

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SO FAREWELL, Paris Brown, the 17-year-old "youth police and crime commissioner" (no, I don't remember voting for them either). She has resigned after messages she posted on Twitter were denounced as racist and homophobic. Part of me feels sorry for her. We all do stupid things as kids and it was a lot easier in a pre-Twitter age to be forgiven and to move on. These days, one daft, drunken remark can haunt you for ever.

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THEY say daylight is the best disinfectant. Press exposure of compensation claims made by thousands of police officers reveals that something is rotten in the system and must be cleansed. We now know that about 2,000 officers a year are being awarded damages, often for slipping, tripping or falling on private property while responding to 999 calls. And in each of those 2,000 cases, we are seriously supposed to believe it was all somebody else's fault. Do you buy that? Me neither.

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ANYWAY, Home Secretary Theresa May has ordered a review of police compensation and not before time. But she will have a hell of a job dismantling this well-established little arrangement which seems to benefit just about everyone except the person who dials 999. Officers are encouraged to claim by the Police Federation which, like all trade unions, likes to offer its members occasional sweeteners. No win/no fee lawyers obviously benefit from the business coming their way. The insurance industry is happy to settle these cases, rather than fight them in court, because it knows it can recover the money by hiking premiums. And the poor customer is stuck with his insurer because once he's claimed on his policy, no other company will touch him. It seems plain wicked that people who are the victims of crime should find themselves sued by officers coming to their aid. But just because something is wicked, that doesn't make it illegal. As any cop will tell you.

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THIS gem is from the Daily Telegraph obituaries page this week: "William Moody: Qualified funeral director and embalmer who made a career change to enthrall wrestling fans as Paul Bearer." A classic of the genre.

Don't miss Peter Rhodes every Monday to Friday in your Express & Star

Man posed as boy to get girls' pictures

A DUDLEY man who posed as a boy on social network sites to chat up young girls and persuade them to send him indecent photographs has been jailed for 18 months.

Lee Heathcock, aged 36, exchanged BlackBerry Messenger posts with children as young as 11, talked about his school, used an image of a teenage boy as his profile picture, and adopted text speak to

convince victims they were in touch with a child. Heathcock, who police said was a prolific Dudley criminal, admitted 11 charges, including inciting children to engage in sexual activity and pornography and possessing indecent images.

He asked for six more offences to be taken into consideration. Wolverhampton Crown Court heard officers from West Midlands Police's

Public Protection Unit had looked at more than 20,000 messages on his phone and uncovered more than 400 conversations with children.

Once he felt he had struck up a relationship, his conversations with the children became sexual and sent indecent images and he encouraged the children to do the same. Police found evidence of him exchanging sexually explicit images and chat

with girls in the UK and abroad. Five were aged 12 and one was 11.

Heathcock was jailed for 18 months, put on the Sex Offender's Register for 10 years and banned from working with children.

The investigation began when the convicted burglar, of no fixed address, was arrested by an off-duty police officer. He had been wanted for recall to prison.

Victim of death crash not wearing seatbelt

A CARE assistant from Stourbridge who was killed when a car ploughed into a tree was not wearing a seatbelt, an inquest heard. Samantha Jennings was the front passenger of the black Vauxhall Astra when it came off the A449 at Cookley on December 8.

Worcestershire Coroners Court heard last week neither the 26-year-old, of Aldridge Close, nor two men travelling in the car had been wearing seatbelts. The inquest was told Miss Jennings' boyfriend Thomas Whitehouse had been driving the car and their friend

Foundry fined after fall near molten metal

AN IRON foundry has been landed with a court bill of more than £14,000 after a worker fell on a platform above a conveyor belt containing molten metal.

Anthony Latham escaped with bruising to his shoulder, arm and neck during the incident in Brierley Hill but health and safety chiefs said he could easily have fallen backwards into the molten metal stream.

Brockmoor Foundry Company Limited, of Leys Road, pleaded guilty to breaching the Health & Safety at Work act at Dudley Magistrates Court last week after failing to carry out risk assessments.

The firm was charged following the incident in October 2011 when Mr Latham, aged 41, of Tipton, fell on a platform above a conveyor belt containing molten metal at a temperature of 1,400C.

Misused

A report by the HSE was carried out and it was discovered employees, who work taking samples of the metal, were misusing the platform as a step to cross a conveyor belt which ultimately led to its collapse.

Magistrates heard that ad-hoc repairs were made to the platform but no risk assessment was carried out nor was there any safety guidance given to employees.

Mr John Glynn, prosecuting on behalf of the HSE, said: "The incident was entirely avoidable and occurred because the company failed to assess the risks and control the hazards."

Mr Gary Lewis, defending, said: "The company has a dedicated health and safety manager and they take such incidents very seriously. They were the ones who reported this to the HSE as opposed to the investigators simply finding out from elsewhere."

The firm was fined £10,400 for the breach and ordered to pay £4,000 in court costs.



Samantha Jennings was the passenger in a car

Councils teaming up to help find jobs

COUNCILS across the Black Country are to join forces on a new multi-million pound project to help people in the region find work.

Authorities have drawn up the Black Country Growth Opportunities, Local Delivery scheme known as Gold to look at ways to support cash-strapped businesses hit during the current economic crisis.

Each council will commit up to £147,000 which will be fed into wider multi-million funding projects, some backed by European cash, to re-invigorate the region's business sector.

Speaking of the overall investment plans, Wolverhampton regeneration boss Councillor Peter Bilson said: "Collectively these projects have the potential to make a significant and positive impact on economic growth, job and employment opportunities in the city."

The Gold scheme will use money to pay for advice clinics, workshops and grants. Council officials said the three-year programme aims to provide support for business.

MP makes a school visit

AN MP has visited school pupils ahead of the arrival of their new headteacher.

Margot James, MP for Stourbridge, took a tour of Peter's Hill Primary School, Amblescote, near Stourbridge, to speak with pupils about their time at the school and their aspirations for secondary school and beyond.

She chatted to five year six pupils at the school about their interests including horse riding, dance, music and choir, swimming and rugby during the visit last month.

The school's new headteacher, Dr Neil Hopkin, started on April 15.

Woman is freed

AN injured woman had to be cut free after a car and taxi collided at the junction of St James's Road and The Parade, Dudley, at about 6.45am on Friday. The woman, aged 55, was freed from the car and taken to hospital. The male drivers of the car and the taxi were unhurt.

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Death of husband a 'puzzle'

A MAN was found hanged in his home on New Year's Day only weeks after he was married, an inquest has heard.

Garry John Bartlett, of Warwell Lane, Halesowen, was discovered by his wife Susan, just hours after they celebrated the start of 2013.

Mrs Bartlett said she had only known her husband, aged 38, since March last year and the two married on December 3.

She told Dudley Coroner's Court: "He was happy-go-lucky and didn't seem depressed to me."

The inquest heard Mr Bartlett had previously been a supervisor at Biffa in Tipton but had lost his job due to disciplinary matters.

Since then he had been unemployed, unable to work due to depression and anxiety, his wife said. She said the two had seen in the new year before going to bed.

She had woken up alone and found him with an extension lead tied to the bannister and around his neck as he sat, lifeless, on the stairs.

The inquest heard a that post mortem found drugs in his system. He had previously been a heroin addict.

Black Country coroner Robin Balmain said the case was a puzzle.

A narrative verdict was recorded, saying that Mr Bartlett hanged himself.

Police seek limping man

A MAN with a limp has been identified as a suspect in a burglary in which Asian gold worth thousands was stolen.

The jewellery was taken along with thousands in cash during from a house on Sovereign Drive, Milking Bank, Dudley.

Police say they are now looking for a man with a limp. Pc Nick Slyn, from Dudley CID, said: "The victim is desperate for us to find whoever is responsible. The suspect has got a limp which is fairly prominent and appears to be a disability rather than a recent injury. I want to know who he is."

Fears over seal

A LOST seal nicknamed Keith, who took a wrong turn and swam 100 miles inland, is feared to have perished in the freezing weather after no reported sightings for a month. The 4ft seal has become a local celebrity in Bewdley and Stourport after she was spotted frolicking in rivers.

Big day out at centre for Mike the Knight



Cbeebies character Mike the Knight appears before hundreds of his fans at the Merry Hill Shopping Centre in Brierley Hill

MORE than 1,000 children and parents flocked to the Merry Hill Centre to meet television hero Mike the Knight.

The cheeky young knight-in-training, who is well-known to Cbeebies fans, kept the children transfixed during his five shows at the shopping centre. The free shows were part of a programme by the Brierley Hill shopping centre to keep children amused over the Easter holidays.

Merry Hill's senior marketing manager Kelly Reed said: "We've had a brilliant day and we've had about 1,300 people at the five sessions. Mike the Knight is a hugely popular character."

Mike the Knight is driven by his passion to help

others and, along the way be the best knight he can be. With his father the King busy exploring faraway lands, Queen Martha has put Mike in charge of helping her protect the Kingdom of Glendragon.

This meant the stage on the upper mall near Oasis was transformed into a story-telling adventure for the children involving castles, dragons, vikings and trolls.

Wall Heath mother Stephanie Craig, aged 28, took her two sons Callum Craig, aged five, and Jayden Kettley, aged 16 weeks to the show.

Mrs Craig, of Blaze Park, said: "They loved it. Callum was jumping up and down with the action and it was wonderful."

Woman jailed after grudge led to glass attack in pub

A MOTHER of one who smashed a glass into the face of another woman at a Stourbridge pub over a "childish grudge" has been jailed for two and a half years.

Louise Parker laughed after landing the blow that came within millimetres of blinding Callie-Anne Skelding in one eye, Wolverhampton Crown Court heard.

Then the 23-year-old told a friend: "Give me another glass and I will do it again."

Unmarried Parker launched the attack on February 26 last year at the Glasshouse after spotting the victim, whom she disliked following an earlier incident, the court was told. She pushed Miss Skelding and then smashed a glass into her face.

The blow tore a 4cm cut above her right eye and also caused wounds to her nose and upper lip, Miss Lisa Hancock, prosecuting, said.

Then Parker "gloated" over the bloodshed and had to be discouraged from following the badly injured victim into the toilets, the court heard.

Lies The attacker refused to admit her guilt, claiming she had pushed Miss Skelding but somebody else must have glassed the victim. It was claimed she even persuaded a friend to "perjure" herself by telling lies during her trial in a desperate last-ditch bid to escape justice.

But Parker, who had previous convictions for attacking other women, was unanimously found guilty of assault and remanded for sentence last week. Recorder Stephen Lowndes told Parker, of Buffery Road, Dudley: "You approached the victim without provocation, pushed and then struck her. You had intended to do this because of some childish grudge from the past."

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Students have a ball raising cash



Dudley College students Aman Shergill, Tracey Curran, Abi Worsey, Kimberley Hamilton and James Greenway who are helping stage the charity ball and auction in aid of Stourbridge's Mary Stevens Hospice

STUDENTS are putting their business skills to the test after being given the task of organising a glitzy charity ball at a Dudley hotel.

Money raised by the black and white themed ball and auction at The Village Hotel, in Castlegate Park, will be donated to Stourbridge's Mary Stevens Hospice.

It has been painstakingly planned over the last few weeks by students from Dudley College taking HNC business studies courses.

They have booked live entertainment for the event tomorrow (Friday)

including a performance from singer Becky Neale.

Guests will have the chance to bid on a selection of top prizes during the auction held at the hotel, off Birmingham Road.

These include a round of golf for four at Stourbridge Golf Club, a sprays-tanning party, hairdressing experience, a Nixon digital camera, a coffee maker, tickets to Wolverhampton Wolves Speedway and a signed pennant from West Bromwich Albion.

Hospice head of fundraising, Vicki Rowles, said: "We are touched by their

level of engagement and commitment. The charity ball looks to be a fantastic event and a great opportunity for the students to develop their fundraising skills."

Students Aman Shergill, Tracey Curran, Abi Worsey, Kimberley Hamilton and James Greenway are helping stage the charity ball and auction.

Tickets for the event are priced at £25 each which includes a hot and cold buffet. Tickets are on sale at The Mary Stevens Hospice Charity shop, in High Street, Stourbridge. For all enquiries call Kim on 07505 561531.

NEWS

in brief

Service sharing plans are axed

PLANS by West Midlands and Staffordshire police forces to share services to save hundreds of thousands of pounds each year have been axed.

The forces were looking at combining their armed response teams, dog support and training as well as tactical planning and road policing.

However, the new Police and Crime Commissioner for Staffordshire Matthew Ellis and the force's Chief Constable Mike Cunningham have revealed they have backed out.

£21,000 will go to charity from store

A SUPERMARKET has raised more than £21,000 to support charities.

Sainsbury's in Ambleside, Stourbridge, collected customer donations of £21,946.30 for groups in the Stourbridge area in 2012 and 2013.

This included £3,963.39 raised for Insight for Carers Service, £5,903.89 for local groups and charities, £6,390.02 in charity collections and in-store boxes and £1,169 for the annual Poppy Appeal. The final total for Comic Relief was £3,267.

RSPCA looking for volunteers

THE RSPCA is appealing for volunteers to help in a bucket collection at a Dudley supermarket.

They are needed for RSPCA Week, from April 29 to May 5, to collect at the Dudley Tesco Extra on Crown Gate Retail Park.

If anyone would like to help email birmingham-fundraising@rspca.org.uk or call 0300 123 8567 or 07715 540518.

Zumbathon aims to bring in cash

FUNDRAISERS are limbering up for a charity Zumbathon.

The three-hour event will take place on June 15 at The Kingswinford School, Water Street.

It will be led by Zumba instructor Suzanne Richardson in aid of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution. The event will run from midday to 3pm.

Oliver! wants more

BRIERLEY Hill Musical Theatre Company is looking for boys aged eight to 14 for its production of Oliver! to be staged at Brierley Hill Civic Hall from October 9 to 12. Email the production team at info@bhmte.co.uk.

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IN MY VIEW

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I TRIED the BBC's new social class calculator three times, and came up with three different answers. Apparently, I can't be "traditional working class" because I don't go to "gigs". But should anybody over 40 admit to going to "gigs" anyway? We go to concerts, surely?

According to the research, the "established middle class" are gregarious individuals with "high cultural capital", whereas the "technical middle class" are a "small distinct group that aren't so social, but are into emerging culture such as gaming, the internet and rock music". Or teenagers, as we used to call them.

Where it falls down for me is that it seems to be less about what you do, and more about who you know.

Now many of us will be members of special interest groups which can result in some very strange results. For example, if you are a member of the Rolls-Royce Enthusiasts Club, your circle of friends may well include a mixture of mechanics and millionaires.

And given that "journalist" is not among the 18 occupations identified in the questionnaire, it seems that half of my friends don't exist. But thirdly, what about all those casual acquaintances we might socialise with on a regular basis, without ever discussing work?

Looking down the list, I know a teacher, a nurse and a university lecturer. I think a chap I meet twice a year might be an electrician, but I could have that wrong. Does the bloke who owns an engineering works in Bilston count as a chief executive?

The survey seems to assume we all live our social lives around the dinner party circuit.

Maybe those who came up with the questions think that the "traditional working class", when not at gigs, spend their time hosting their special brand of dinner parties. You know, where people sit around the table quaffing cans of Special Brew while watching videos of Jeremy Kyle, and discussing the life of a shop assistant or a lorry driver.

But I can't help think that while the survey tells us much about the social background of those who work at the BBC, it says very little about the rest of us.

A SCIENTIST in Iran, that most progressive and forward-thinking of nations, has patented a time machine which he says enables him to see into the future.

Ali Razbegi claims his Aryayek Time Travelling Machine can see up to eight years ahead, and predict future events with 98 per cent accuracy.

Sadly for Mr Razbegi, I fear somebody has beaten him to it. For many years there has been a device around which can show any Iranians what their country will – with any luck – look like in 50 to 100 years' time.

It's called the plane out of Iran.



Soldier Oliver Amos, aged, 20



Teenagers, from left, Oliver, Leslie, the late Harry Hill and George



Leslie, George, Oliver Amos and the late Harry Hill in 1986

Lifelong friendship of Lye's likely lads

Three old mates have more than 80 years of happy memories as LOUISE JEW found out

THREE likely lads from Lye – now all aged in their 90s – have enjoyed a special get-together to reminisce about well over 80 years of friendship.

The 90th birthday of William "Oliver" Amos provided an opportunity for a reunion for the trio, who grew up in Lye and became good friends in the Scouts. Oliver and chums, Leslie Hill, now aged 92 and from Oldbury, and 91-year-old George Worton, now of Bourne-mouth, went on to serve in the Second World War and each saw out at least 50 years of marriage, surviving their wives.

Oliver, now living in the Avondale residential home, Norton Road, Stourbridge, said: "We've got many happy memories to share and enjoy – so there can't have been much wrong with Lye."

Raised

Leslie and George joined Oliver for his recent birthday in Norton.

George recalled from their days as children growing up in Lye: "In those early days there were not many cars or lorries about, so we could play with safety in the streets."

"How many remember the games we did play? Jack-upon-the Mopstick, shine-the-light, kick-the-can, marbles and the cigarette cards we used to save."

Oliver was born and raised in Union Street, Lye, and he, Leslie and George, together with another friend, the late Harry Hill, attended the town's Orchard Lane School.

Oliver started work at Evason brothers in Lye, making enamelware, before going on to serve an apprenticeship with the Ducatt Heating and Engineering company in Amblecote, Stourbridge.

When called up for the army, he was



The Lye "likely lad", from left, Leslie Hill, aged 92, Oliver Amos, celebrating his 90th birthday, and George Worton, 91

posted to Burma and celebrated his 21st birthday en route by convoy to the Far East around the Cape of Good Hope.

Before setting off, he married Dorothy Parker, from Wollaston, Stourbridge, in October 1943 – with Leslie as his best man.

But Oliver would not see Dorothy again for three years.

And after his "Class B" release from the army, in which he was Company Sergeant Major for A Company in the East Yorkshire Regiment, he saw his daughter, Pauline, for the first time. Return-

ing to civilian life he took up his pre-war position with the Ducatt Heating company.

In his spare time, together with 35 other skilled tradesmen, became involved in the self-build project of 36 bungalows in The Broadway, Norton.

Stayed

He and Dorothy's first home together was in Barn Close, on the New Farm Estate between Lye and Stourbridge, where they lived in the top flat and Leslie in the bottom, with George just

round the corner. They then moved into their self-build bungalow in The Broadway, where they stayed for many years before moving to Avon Road, Norton.

Oliver's reputation as a heating engineer saw him progress to Hoare, Lee and Partners as a clerk of the works and he finished his career with the Regional Hospital Board, again as clerk of works, in 1988.

Oliver, Leslie, George and their wives were keen sequence dancers for much of their lives, to which they attribute their longevity.

THROUGH THE YEARS

1983...

RAILWAY passengers were at the centre of drama when their train broke down and needed to be pushed to safety by an inter-city express train. Passengers on the Birmingham – Wolverhampton service were stranded near Tipton, but the Coventry – Manchester service shunted them six miles into the city.

COUNCILLORS in Birmingham were on the ball when they met their opposite numbers who were visiting from Belfast. The two groups of councillors took part in a football match at Birmingham City's training ground.

A WOMAN claimed she had been driven out of her Wolverhampton council home by a poltergeist. Mrs June Zachariasz claimed that on one occasion a milk bottle flew through the air, smashing on the wall.

1993...

A SEVEN-YEAR-OLD Nether-ton boy rushed to save his mother as she lay semi-conscious from an electric shock. Wayne Chancellor was praised by firemen for swiftly alerting relatives after he found his mum suffering convulsions caused by a faulty electric lead.

WOLVERHAMPTON-based construction firm Tarmac were awarded an £8.4 million contract by developers Don and Roy Richardson to design and build the next phase of the Waterfront complex at Brierley Hill. The development was expected to create around 500 jobs.

FAMILIES were flocking to cinemas across the Midlands to see a film made in 1967. Walt Disney classic The Jungle Book was re-released to widespread acclaim and immediately shot to the top of the British film charts.

2003...

A GRAND Theatre audience in Wolverhampton had to be sent home after a performance of Andrew Lloyd-Webber's Cats was interrupted by a power cut after just five minutes. Theatre bosses brought down the curtain when lighting and sound failed due to an electrical fault in a sub-station.

CROWDS of youngsters hoping to make a splash in a paddling pool were left high and dry when they discovered it had been drained. Council chiefs had decided to drain the pool in Tiptonhall, Wolverhampton, for cleaning after complaints that it was being used as a toilet.

BOSSSES at the Black Country Living Museum launched a hunt to find a traditional baker. They warned visitors could end up going hungry at The Bakers Shop, one of the most popular attractions at the open-air museum on Tipton Road, Dudley.

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I WISH to thank thousands of your readers for taking part in Dudley Council's biggest ever consultation. We ran the Big Question consultation on council tax for three months up to the end of February and we were truly overwhelmed with the response from more than 4,500 borough residents. Compare that to the 26 responses the previous year!

The consultation results were fascinating and showed us just over 50 per cent of people would be willing to pay more council tax to protect key council services.

It did not however, offer us a

mandate to go to a referendum as in total, around 60 per cent of residents stated they would not be willing to pay more than a two per cent increase in council tax.

This enabled us to make the informed decision to freeze council tax levels for another year, which we hope will help borough residents during these continued difficult economic times.

The move to freeze council tax ensures our residents, who were already paying around £14 per month less than the national average, will continue to pay some of the lowest levels in

the whole country. Council tax bills are now landing on doorsteps and some people have asked me why their bill appears to have gone up slightly if we have frozen council tax levels.

The freeze relates to the council element of the council tax bill. The West Midlands Police precept has risen by 3 per cent and the West Midlands Fire Service has gone up by 10.4 per cent which does mean the overall bill will go up by around 15p per week for a Band D property.

COUNCILLOR PETE LOWE
Cabinet member for finance
Dudley Council

Councillor should go for remark on Maggie

COUNCILLOR Steven Frear should resign from Sandwell Council.

This person chose to mark the death of our former Prime Minister, Baroness Thatcher, by posting a sick comment on social media glorifying in the lady's passing.

Whether we agree with Margaret Thatcher's politics or not the fact is she gave many years service to our country and deserves at least the same respect as any other former PM and in many people's opinion a heck of a lot more!

For an elected person to revel in the death of an old lady is repulsive and sickening.

This sorry excuse for a man should resign with immediate effect. The people of Sandwell deserve far better.

BILL ETHERIDGE
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LETTERS to the Editor

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Change of attitude was on the cards

BEFORE I had my heart attack on February 19, I had no interest at all in cards. Birthday cards were discarded.

Since entering Russells Hall, then New Cross Hospitals, I came to appreciate the views of other people. I had numerous cards and texts, as well as phone calls, all wishing me well. Two cards have pride of place in my collection – two hand drawn ones from two children who live just across the road from my wife and I.

These messages of goodwill are personal to me, I intend to keep them. What I cannot keep to myself are the feelings from me to the medical staff at Russells Hall and New Cross Hospitals. My surgeon was Mr Rehman, and I will be forever grateful to him and his team, and all the nursing staff, for the care that they gave me.

Medication caused me, at times, to be an "awkward patient", and for this I apologise. I am getting better, and hope in the not too distant future, to be able to say that I can return to my old life-style.

PETER COLE
Chelford Crescent
Kingswinford

Thatcher did put our interests first on EU

LIKE all of us, she did some good things, some bad things and despite her unshakable faith in her own infallibility, she made mistakes.

Two things she deserves to be especially remembered for, are the Falklands War and her unbending stance on the European Union.

Mrs Thatcher was the last Prime Minister to justifiably take this country to war. A British dependency had been illegally invaded and, quite rightly a British taskforce was deployed to liberate it.

In contrast, the Iraq invasion was illegal and the Afghan conflict is, at best, unjustified interference in another country's internal affairs.

Mrs Thatcher was the last Prime Minister to put the interests of the British people first in her dealings with the European Union.
MR R A SARGEANT
Dudley

Cloudy2Clear Windows – Service With A Smile!

It's been a crazy few months for Cloudy2Clear Windows. The company which specialises in repairing windows which are steamed up, broken or damaged by replacing the panes – not the frames has grown rapidly as homeowners take advantage of their services.

Managing Director Brian Stanley feels that it's all about service. 'Our product is simple. If your double glazing is misted up we can replace the glass at a fraction of the cost of a new window, in any type of frame, and with a new 5 year guarantee. But it's not just about saving people

money, although that obviously helps. Many tradespeople have struggled since last year and I honestly feel that during the good times a minority perhaps didn't focus on customer care as much as they should have done.

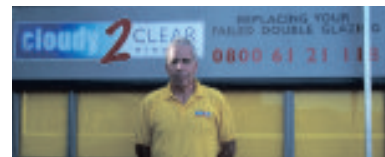
We make sure we turn up when we say we will, do the job the customer requires and leave their house as clean as a whistle. I often get comments back from customers on how they really didn't expect that sort of service which, in a way, is very sad for the service industry as a whole.'

Cloudy2Clear service Stourbridge and the surrounding area and Brian

is finding that his approach is a major factor in his success. 'The truth is that it's not just the personal satisfaction that I get from doing a good job but also it makes good business sense. I get a huge amount of business from friends and family of people

I've done work for, which just goes to show how much a little bit of effort is appreciated.'

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Securicor guards Harry Pritchard and Jack Ward take possession of electric powered mopeds



Walter Edge on his 1928 Sunbeam



Peter Bidmead passes on his knowledge to youngsters an RAC/ACU motorcycle course

Testament to the two-wheelers



Don Higham sets off for work on his 1925 Royal Enfield in September 1976

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"I just get a tremendous amount of enjoyment riding a bike. I suppose it's in the blood," said works manager Peter, of Mersey Road, Rugeley, in April 1978.

To pass on his knowledge of bikes, Peter taught youngsters how to ride in an RAC/ACU motorcycle course at Fair Oak School, Rugeley.

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A search through the archives of the Chronicle's sister paper, the Express & Star, revealed many photographs about people and their two-wheeled modes of transport.

Securicor guards Harry Pritchard and Jack Ward took possession of electric powered mopeds in December 1973, a time of great worry about fuel prices.

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Don Higham, of Aldridge, was pictured setting off for work on his 1925 Royal Enfield in September 1976. The Walsall recreation department landscape officer had bought it for £30 and spent five years restoring it.

Mark Wells and Paul Handley, both aged 16, were among Wednesbury mods saying "don't blame us" after complaints about motorcycle gangs which were said to be terrorising people on estates in October 1983.

Paul, of Kent Road, Woods estate, said: "It's ridiculous to say our bikes are high speed. My scooter's top speed is only 25mph."



"Don't blame us" – Mark Wells, left, and Paul Handley



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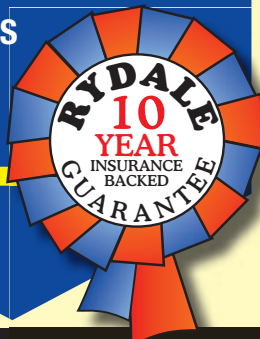
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NEWS

Glance sparked romance that led to diamond day



Tony and Connie Haynes celebrate their diamond wedding



The couple on their wedding day 60 years ago

IT started with a glance across a crowded dancefloor but that loving moment has lasted for more than 60 years for a couple celebrating their diamond anniversary.

And after years working to help establish a new church in Stourbridge, it is time for Tony and Connie Haynes to be treated as they mark their marriage milestone.

The couple celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with a special service at Wollaston Free Church attended by more than 150 friends last weekend.

Connie was presented with a bouquet as the couple took a walk down the aisle to celebrate after years spent at the centre of church life.

Tony, aged 83, speaking of his marriage to 81-year-old Connie, said: "Our love has grown over the years and we are closer now than we ever have been."

His grandparents, Percy and Katie Dowson, owned a cafe and bakery in Stourbridge's High Street.

Dances

He joined Longlands general store run by his parents Victor and Mary, in Clifton Street.

Connie grew up in Wollscote and became an office worker after she left school. Both were part of groups which attended regular Saturday night dances at Stourbridge Town Hall.

But it was a night when Tony was with friends from King Edwards VI Grammar School football team that they met.

A two-year courtship followed before they tied the knot at Christ Church, Lye High Street, on April 6,

by Andrew Turton

1953. They were treated to a wedding reception at The Foxcote Pub before honeymooning in Jersey.

They lived with family in Lye for a few months while their house was built in Poplar Crescent, Norton.

There, they raised their three sons, Andrew, Rod and Peter. They moved to Rugby Road, Wollaston, to be closer to the new church.

They now have nine grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

After attending a number of churches in the area they settled upon the idea of helping to start their own in support of minister, the Rev Peter Williams.

They joined a group of around 20 people to help fund Wollaston Free Church on land formerly owned by Stourbridge Rugby Club, off Somerset Drive, in 1966.

"We thought that it was time that Wollaston had a new church so we got together to help pay for it to be set up as a free church for people with different faiths," Tony said.

The couple also celebrated with a meal alongside their nearest and dearest at the Park Gate Inn, in Wolverley, near Kidderminster.

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NEWS

St George's procession needs more

COMMUNITY groups are needed to take part in a St George's Day parade in Dudley.

Saturday's procession will begin a day full of activities, which will include live music, children's entertainment and a free tea dance.

The parade will set off from the Council House at 10.30am and make its way along Priory Road, Priory Street and Stone Street to the market place where the Mayor of Dudley, Councillor Melvyn Mottram, will officially open the event at 11am.

It will be followed by live performances on the main stage, as well as activities and music around the town until the day closes at 3pm.

There are still some main stage performance slots available for groups.

Any clubs interested in being part of the parade or performing on the stage should telephone 01384 815222 or email kate.rochester-jones@dudley.gov.uk

'Cromwell' MEP to give pub talk

AN MEP who caused a stir by quoting Oliver Cromwell at the president of the European parliament in Brussels will talk at the Britannia Inn, High Street, Wollaston.

Roger Helmer, MEP for East Midlands, told Herman Van Rompuy: "You have sat too long for any good you have been doing. Depart I say and let us have done with you."

The talk is on May 13 at 7pm. Call 07845 556723.

Repointed bricks cap hub renovation



Chris Dyche at the repointed Bonded Warehouse

AROUND £14,000 of renovation work has been completed on a former canalside warehouse dating from the 18th century which has become a popular community hub in Stourbridge.

Hundreds of people use the Bonded Warehouse neighbouring the towpath of the Stourbridge Town Arm Canal for community meetings, exhibitions and a base for fundraising events each year.

Repairs to exposed outside brickwork became a priority for members of the Stourbridge Navigation Trust following harsh winter weather and general wear and tear.

Brickwork has been repointed while other bricks were replaced and new

wooden window frames fitted to the building during the six-week project.

Trust finance director Chris Dyche, aged 69, said he was very pleased with the renovation which aimed to breathe a new lease of life into the Grade II listed building.

"The work was needed because this is Grade II listed building and it is absolutely important to maintain it," he said. It has become a landmark venue and we are very proud of it.

Needed

"It was very, very close to being demolished in the 1980s until we started out trying to save it. Now it is very well used for by the local community."

The trust, which manages the site on behalf of the Canal and River Trust,

enlisted Hagley based renovation firm R Woodward and Co Ltd to do the work.

The firm also helped with the initial transformation of the warehouse of the building in the 1980s after it had fallen into disrepair.

The Bonded Warehouse was built in 1799 by the Stourbridge Navigation Company, which ran the waterway in its industrial heyday.

It was eventually transferred into the hands of British Waterways and rented out to a gas engineering firm.

But a campaign led by waterways enthusiasts from the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal Society helped start dredging the Stourbridge Canal in the late 1970s and early 1980s.

They turned their attentions on the warehouse and transformed it into a community venue.

Get taste at activity day

DUDLEY Age UK's Springboard group is holding a photography and art exhibition throughout the month, including a special activity day being held on April 24 at Stourbridge Library.

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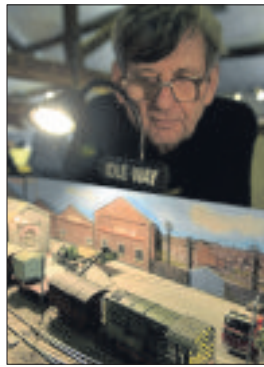
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NEWS

Model fans steam in to society's 25th exhibition



Tony Bennett, who was collecting for the Help for Heroes charity, with a display of an Iraq railway



Terry Robinson looks over a layout

MORE than 1,500 model railway enthusiasts flocked to an exhibition to mark the 25th anniversary of Stourbridge Railway Society.

A host of painstakingly-arranged model railway layouts, including one depicting the desert plains of Iraq, were among those for the event.

Members of the society organise the annual exhibition at the 18th century canal-side Bonded Warehouse, Stourbridge.

Twelve layouts, spread over three floors, formed this year's exhibition attracting enthusiasts both young and old over the weekend.

Society member Chris Dyche said the group was delighted with the turnout which has helped raise more than £1,000.

Proceeds were given to Stourbridge Navigation Trust, which manages the Bonded Warehouse and helps with the

upkeep of the neighbouring Stourbridge Town Arm Canal.

Narrowboat trips aboard the trust's The Blackcountry Man were also organised for visitors.

Mr Dyche said: "We are very pleased with the turnout especially as there were a lot of families this year which is good encouraging new people."

"The weather was good for us because the trip boat had been unable to go out over Easter so it was nice to see it back out again and it helps raise awareness of what we do."

Eager

Among those demonstrating was Tony Bennett, from Wheaton Aston, who had bought along his Iraq railway display. He was also asking for donations towards soldiers charity Help the Heroes.

Trade stands also featured at the exhibition for eager railway enthusiasts to pick up items for their own displays at home.



Modeller Arthur Lakester, aged 20, with his display



Ben Beetison, of Cradley, takes a close look at a layout

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NEWS

Approval for hospital to launch its outdoor gym

AN OUTDOOR gym to be used by patients and staff will be built in the grounds of Dudley's Russells Hall Hospital after the scheme was approved by Dudley Council.

Thousands of pounds in new equipment, including assisted pull-up machines and chest presses, will be installed at the site, off Pensnett Road, as part of the project.

The council officials approved the scheme by delegated decision. They said it would not have an adverse impact on the surrounding area.

Patients recovering from illnesses or operations will be able to use the gym as part of their rehabilitation with staff demonstrating suitable exercises.

Installed

Hospital workers will also be able to use the equipment during their breaks as part of a drive by Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust to provide staff with a healthier lifestyle.

It will be built on land near the accident and emergency department and education centre. Other equipment to be installed includes a cross trainer, fitness bike and a ski machine.

An area of hard-surfacing

by Lee Watton

will also be laid down where the equipment will be placed. Hospital bosses will now work to secure funding.

The council's director of urban environment, John Millar, said: "It is considered the outdoor gym would relate satisfactorily to the existing area."

"The facility will form part of a wider health initiative and there will be no demonstrable harm to the neighbouring area."

He added: "The development would improve the economic, social and environmental concerns of the area and as a result is in accordance with national policy."

Trust chief executive Paula Clark previously said the group was committed to providing health initiatives for staff.

Jobseekers box clever in search to find work



Coach Kevin Dillon with Roxanne Kerrigan and other students who did a boxing course

JOBBEEKERS got the chance to sharpen their fitness while earning a qualification aimed at helping them find work during a course staged at a boxing club.

The three-day event was organised by Stourbridge College and took place at Lions Boxing Club in Brierley Hill.

Eight residents looking for employment were offered the chance to gain a free Level One Boxing Development Award. They also got the chance to earn a qualification to help them in their search for work.

Alongside a two-hour boxing training session, candidates took part in three-hour theory sessions each day.

Mentioned

Bosses at Stourbridge College developed the course after staff at the boxing club said many visited to keep fit while unemployed. The eight people taking part in the course were chosen by the club.

College employability manager Shaun Hall, said: "We work closely with Lions Boxing Club to deliver sports courses to our 16 to 18-year-old students. They mentioned a lot of people attend the club especially to keep fit while they are unemployed and looking for work. We thought it would be great if we could tailor a course to suit them."

Among those taking part was gym user Roxanne Kerrigan, who said: "I enjoyed the course."

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Town's £50m supermarket is beginning to take shape



Builders at work on the £50 million Tesco store, off Stourbridge Ring Road, which has seen the first bricks laid

THE construction of a £50 million Tesco development in Stourbridge has entered a new stage as the first bricks for the supermarket are laid.

Two shopping floors and staircases can be seen at the site, off the ringroad. Some of the roof has also been installed.

Work has been gathering pace since the foundations were completed towards the end of last year.

The store is being built on the site of the old Crown Centre and Bell Street multi-storey car park. It was demolished in March last year using explosives.

Landmovers cleared 9,000 tons of rubble, some of which will be re-used in the building, ready to construct the shopping complex.

Residents have welcomed the changing landscape. Accountant Sarah Thomas, aged 32, of Wollaston, said: "It's going to make such a difference to

the town and improve the view for the people as they enter the town. It will look a lot better than what was there before."

The supermarket will create 320 jobs. The development will also include a shopping centre and a town square.

Lights will be installed on Stourbridge Town Hall as part of work to revamp the square to make it more attractive to shoppers.

The side of the hall will form part of the square along with the entrance to the new shopping centre.

Permission

It will have plenty of seating for shoppers and will be a showpiece of the development.

Tesco submitted an application for listed building consent to install 'feature lighting' on the town hall, which was approved by the council.

The development is one of a number of regeneration schemes in the pipeline for the town. Planning permission has

been granted for an 80-bedroom Premier Inn, which will be built on land just off Birmingham Street. It will have a Brewers Fayre restaurant with 122 parking spaces.

It is hoped the hotel could be open as early as spring next year and it has been welcomed by Stourbridge Town-ship Council, which believes it will boost the town's tourism and economy.

Council bosses have also outlined proposals to boost the use of the River Stour and visitor numbers as part of its masterplan for the town.

They want to encourage development along the riverside to help link it better with the town centre.

The regeneration plan includes new pathways alongside the river and new pedestrian crossing points on parts of the ring road to help make the town centre more accessible on foot or by bicycle.

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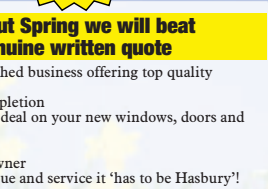
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CHAIRMAN Audrey Phipps welcomed everyone including the speaker Pete Moodie to the AGM on March 26.

She announced the sad news that a member, Wendy Parfitt, had died and several members had attended her funeral. A minute's silence was held in her memory.

Minutes of the 2012 AGM meeting were read and approved. Committee members were elected en bloc. Secretary Pam Ingman and treasurer Sheila Evans gave their annual reports.

In her chairman's report, Audrey thanked everyone for their loyalty and hard work including the local newspapers for printing monthly reports. Having expressed what an enjoyable year the club had had, she dropped the bombshell that after 30 plus years she was standing down as chairman, to be replaced by Shelia Evans. She was presented with a garden planter containing delightful plants.

A trip to Morton-in-the-Marsh and Bourton-on-the-Water is being organised for June 11. Chris Groves will organise a luncheon later in the year.

Mr Moodie gave a fascinating talk about the history and work at the Beacon Centre for the Blind, Sedgley. Iris Hemfrey gave the vote of thanks.

Sheila Evans and Linda Taylor won the raffle.



Gavin Williamson MP was guest speaker

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SPEAKER for the evening was Gavin Williamson, MP for South Staffordshire. He spoke about the role of an MP and how he became one.

At the end of the lower sixth in a school in Scarborough, pupils were asked to decide on possible occupations so that arrangements could be made for students to shadow someone in that job. Gavin chose to shadow an MP and was surprised and pleased when John Sykes, MP for Scarborough and Whitby, agreed that Gavin could accompany him.

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During his time at university he continued with his interest in politics. While working at the Ainsley pottery, helping to steer them through difficult times, he heard that Sir Patrick Cormack was retiring and after discussion with his wife, he decided to apply to be a candidate.

Mr Williamson's job as an MP is to represent South Staffordshire at Westminster and he has a constituency of around 89,000. It was lively, informative, interesting and light hearted talk.

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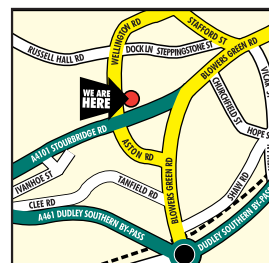
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The Many Faces of Michael Crawford

BBC2, 8.30pm
Michael Crawford will always be known, first and foremost, as bumbling Frank Spencer in 1970s sitcom *Some Mothers Do 'Ave 'Em*. In the years that followed, some audience members found it difficult to take Crawford serious as any other character, which perhaps explains why he has largely steered clear of films and TV since. Instead, he's become a much-sought-after West End and Broadway star thanks to the likes of *Barnum* and *The Phantom of the Opera*. This documentary takes a look back at Crawford's remarkable life and career.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Live. **11.30** Nigel Slater's Simple Suppers. (R) **12.00** BBC News: Regional News. Weather. **12.15** Football Focus. **1.00** Live Snooker: The World Championship. **2.15** Live Challenge Cup Rugby League. **4.30** Final Score. **5.10** Formula 1: Bahrain Grand Prix Qualifying Highlights. **6.25** BBC News: Regional News; Weather. **6.45** **Doctor Who**. Clara and the Doctor arrive at a haunted mansion on a desolate moor, where a gifted psychic and a professor are searching for a tortured spirit. **7.30** **The National Lottery: Who Dares Wins**. Nick Knowles hosts the game show in which two pairs of strangers team up, each battling to outdo the other by listing as much as they know about a given subject. **8.20** **The Voice UK**. The fourth round of the chair-spinning singing contest, with coaches Tom Jones, Jessie J, Will.i.am and Danny O'Donoghue aiming to bolster their teams. **9.20** **Casualty**. Jeff is distressed when his father and sister are involved in a car accident. **10.10** BBC News: Weather. **10.30** **Match of the Day**. Gary Lineker presents highlights of the latest Premier League fixtures, including Sunderland v Everton at the Stadium of Light and Queens Park Rangers v Stoke City at Loftus Road, National Lottery Update. **12.00** The Football League Show. **1.20** Film: Black Eagle. (1988) **2.55** Weatherview. **3.00** BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 This Is BBC Two. **6.45** Film: On the Beat. (1962) **8.30** Film: A Stitch in Time. (1963) A butcher's bumbling assistant tries to cheer up an orphan while visiting his ailing boss in hospital. Slapstick comedy, starring Norman Wisdom. **10.00** Live Snooker: The World Championship. **12.25** EastEnders. (R) **2.15** Live Snooker: The World Championship. **5.30** The Great British Sewing Bee. (R) **6.30** **Flog It!** Paul Martin and the experts examine Liverpool's rich musical heritage. (R) **7.00** **Live Snooker: The World Championship**. Further coverage of the opening day at the Crucible Theatre. **8.00** **Some Mothers Do 'Ave 'Em**. Betty finally goes into labour. (R) **8.30** **The Many Faces of Michael Crawford**. A profile of the actor and singer best known for his portrayal of Frank Spencer in *Some Mothers Do 'Ave 'Em* and playing the title role in the first run of *The Phantom of the Opera*. **9.30** **QI XL**. An extended edition of the quiz with a difference, with host Stephen Fry asking Sandi Toksvig, Al Murray, Dara O Briain and Alan Davies questions on the topic of the Inland Revenue. (R) **10.15** **America in Primetime**. New series. Alan Yentob explores the social history of the US through its most popular TV shows. **11.15** **Richard Briers: A Tribute**. Documentary celebrating the life of the actor. (R) **12.15** Snooker: The World Championship. **1.05** Snooker: World Championships Extra. **3.05** This Is BBC Two.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Jungle Junction. **6.15** Jungle Junction. **6.25** The Hive. (R) **6.35** The Hive. (R) **6.45** Dino Dan. (R) **6.55** Dino Dan. (R) **7.05** Animals. (R) **7.15** Animals. (R) **7.25** Almost Naked Animals. (R) **7.35** Ultimate Spider-Man. **8.00** Jessie. **8.25** ITV News. **8.30** Saturday Farm. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. **10.20** My Tasty Travels with Lynda Bellingham. (R) **11.20** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **12.20** ITV News: Weather. **12.30** Midsomer Murders. (R) **2.25** The Chase. (R) **3.30** Film: Kindergarten Cop. (1990) **5.30** Regional Programme: Weather. **5.45** ITV News: Weather. **6.00** **New You've Been Framed!** Forever. Comedian Harry Hill narrates a selection of surreal camcorder calamities and viewers' mobile phone footage. **7.00** **Britain's Got Talent**. Ant and Dec present the second audition show, with another line-up of acts eager to win a slot at this year's Royal Variety Performance. **8.30** **The Cube**. A physiotherapist and a secondary school teacher try to complete a series of increasingly difficult tasks, hoping to win a jackpot of £250,000. **9.30** **The Jonathan Ross Show**. The host welcomes Steve Coogan, the man behind Alan Partridge, to talk about his latest projects. Actress Saoirse Ronan also drops by and music superstar Will.i.am performs live. **10.30** ITV News: Weather. **10.45** Film: Parenthood. (1989) Comedy drama, starring Steve Martin. **1.00** Jackpot247. **3.00** Ladette to Lady: Australia. (R) **3.50** ITV Nightscreen.

CHANNEL 4

6.15 The Grid. **6.40** World Superbikes. **7.05** Brighton Marathon. **7.55** The Morning Line. **9.00** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **9.30** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **10.00** Frasier. (R) **10.30** Frasier. (R) **11.00** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **11.35** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.00** The Simpsons. (R) **12.35** Secret Millionaire Island. **1.40** Channel 4 Racing. **4.15** Come Dine with Me. (R) **4.50** Come Dine with Me. (R) **5.20** Come Dine with Me. (R) **5.55** Come Dine with Me. (R) **6.25** **Come Dine with Me**. Heidi Kelloway hosts the final dinner party in Oxford. (R) **6.55** **Channel 4 News**. **7.20** **Grand Designs**. Kevin McCloud meets a couple transforming 5,000sq ft of derelict basement in west London – but without proper architects' drawings, confusion kicks in almost from the start. Postponed from April 13. (R) **8.15** **Walking Through History**. Tony Robinson goes on a four-day trek through the Highlands, examining the story of the early 1700s Jacobite uprisings along the way. Last in the series. **9.20** **Film: The Twilight Saga: New Moon**. (2009) Romantic fantasy sequel, starring Kristen Stewart and Robert Pattinson. **11.45** **Darren Brown Investigates: The Ghost Hunter**. The illusionist explores the world of Lou Gentile. Last in the series. (R) **12.50** Film: Double Jeopardy. (1999) Thriller, starring Ashley Judd. **2.35** Hollyoaks. (R) **4.35** Deal or No Deal. (R) **5.30** Countdown. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake! **10.00** Power Rangers: Super Samurai. (R) **10.35** Batman: The Brave and the Bold. **11.00** Inside Hollywood. **11.05** The Removal Men. (R) **12.05** Nature Shock: The Blacktip Shark Mystery. (R) **1.05** Robson's Extreme Fishing Challenge. (R) **2.05** Film: Cheaper By the Dozen. (2003) Family comedy remake, starring Steve Martin. **4.00** Film: Apache. (1954) Western, starring Burt Lancaster. **5.45** 5 News Weekend. **5.50** Film: Cahill, US Marshal. (1973) Western, starring John Wayne and George Kennedy. **7.40** **Film: Rocky IV**. (1985) The Italian Stallion steps into the ring against a seemingly invincible Russian boxer who caused the death of his friend. Drama, starring Sylvester Stallone and Dolph Lundgren. **9.30** **International Boxing**. Tyson Fury v Steve Cunningham. Live coverage of the heavyweight bout from the Theatre at Madison Square Garden in New York, USA. **11.00** **Law & Order: Special Victims Unit**. Benson and Stabler have to tread carefully when they investigate the deaths of a wealthy couple and find themselves playing a game of politics and double bluff. **11.55** **Inside Hollywood**. Magazine show, with location reports and showbusiness news from behind the scenes in Tinseltown. **12.05** SuperCasino. **3.50** Wildlife SOS. (R) **4.40** County Secrets. (R) **4.55** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.05** Angels of Jarm. (R) **5.15** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **5.25** The Funky Valley Show. (R) **5.35** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.50** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Three
7.00 Merlin **8.30** Top Gear **9.30** Film: Tropic Thunder (2008) **11.10** Family Guy **11.55** American Dad!
BBC Four
7.00 South Pacific **8.00** The Golden Age of Steam Railways **9.00** Arne Dahl: Bad Blood – Part One **10.30** Young Guns Go for It **11.30** Top of the Pops: 1978
ITV2
3.40 Funniest Ever You've Been Framed! **4.45** Film: Curly Sue (1991) **6.40** Film: Kangaroo Jack (2003) **8.30** Britain's Got More Talent **9.30** Best of You've Been Framed! **10.30** Celebrity Juice **11.20** Plesbs **11.50** Britain's Got Talent
ITV3
3.00 Agatha Christie's Poirot **4.00** A Touch of Frost **6.00** Agatha Christie's Marple **8.00** Doc Martin **9.00** Lewis **11.00** A Touch of Frost
ITV4
11.00 Live Indian Premier League Cricket: Kolkata Knight Riders v Chennai Super Kings and Royal Challengers Bangalore v Rajasthan Royals. **8.00** British Superbike Championship Highlights **9.00** River Monsters **10.05** Film: Land of the Dead (2005) **11.55** From Ronaldo to Ronaldo
E4
5.30 The Mindy Project **6.00** The Big Bang Theory **7.00** Youngers **7.30** How I Met Your Mother **9.00** Film: Rush Hour 3 (2007) **10.50** The Big Bang Theory **11.50** The Cleveland Show
Film4
2.45 Zulu (1964) **5.30** My Super Ex-Girlfriend (2006) **7.20** The Man (2005) **9.00** Planes, Trains and Automobiles. (1987) Comedy, starring Steve Martin, John Candy and Michael McKean **10.45** Scary Movie (2000)

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SUNDAY'S TV 21.04.13

CHOICE



Shaun Evans

Endeavour
ITV, 8pm

Fans of Colin Dexter's novels and John Thaw's series will be delighted by a story that manages to encompass some of the themes depicted in one of older Morse's best stories, Masonic Mysteries. Initially, the killer featured here seems to be your typical deranged lunatic, the kind who murder indiscriminately – until a passion for opera, displayed in the way he elaborately stages his crimes – is revealed. Morse's musical knowledge may enable him to unlock the case's puzzling nature, which involves cryptic clues and an ever-growing body count.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **7.00** Match of the Day. (R) **8.30** London Marathon. **2.00** Sunday Politics: Weather for the Week Ahead. **3.20** Points of View. **3.35** LifeLine. **3.45** Escape to the Country. (R) **4.15** Songs of Praise. **5.00** Formula 1: Bahrain Grand Prix Highlights.

6.35 BBC News: Regional News; Weather.

7.00 Countryfile. The team heads to Calderdale in West Yorkshire, before visiting the village of Haworth – where the Brontë family lived – and taking in the landscapes that inspired poet Ted Hughes.

8.00 Antiques Roadshow. Fiona Bruce and the experts visit Castle Coole, near Enniskillen, Co Fermanagh, where items include a modern painting of an Irish landscape and a collection of compacts. Red button viewers can play along by guessing the valuations.

9.00 The Village. The villagers gather for their traditional annual wheelbarrow race – unaware it coincides with the first day of the Battle of the Somme. John steals medicine when Mary falls ill.

10.00 BBC News: Regional News; Weather.

10.25 Match of the Day 2. Including highlights of Tottenham Hotspur v Manchester City.

11.25 Regional Programme.

11.55 Film: The Getaway. (1994) A criminal couple are persuaded to take part in a robbery, but are forced to work with a treacherous former partner in crime. Thriller remake, with Alec Baldwin and Kim Basinger.

1.45 Weather. **1.50** BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 This Is BBC Two. **6.20** Film: The Outlaw. (1943) **8.15** Gardeners' World. (R) **8.45** The A to Z of TV Gardening. **9.30** The Beechgrove Garden. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. **11.30** Paul Hollywood's Bread. (R) **12.00** Flog It! (R) **1.00** Gymnastics European Championships. **2.30** Live Snooker: The World Championship.

6.00 Coast. The presenters seek out the ideal locations to enjoy their personal passions, with Nick Crane attempting a mountaineering challenge on the Isle of Skye. (R)

7.00 London Marathon Highlights. Sonali Shah presents action from one of the world's most prestigious road races, as elite athletes and fun-runners negotiated the 26.2-mile course.

8.00 Bill Bailey's Jungle Hero. The comedian follows in the footsteps of Victorian naturalist Alfred Russel Wallace.

9.00 Toughest Place to Be a Bin Man – The Return. London dustman Wilbur Ramirez heads back to Jakarta, Indonesia.

10.00 Mock the Week Looks Back at Travel. Another themed selection from the show's archives.

10.30 It's Kevin. Including music by Crab Marley.

11.00 Snooker: The World Championship. Highlights of the second day's play in Sheffield.

11.50 Snooker: World Championships Extra.

1.50 Sign Zone: Holby City. (R) **2.50** This Is BBC Two.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Jungle Junction. **6.15** Jungle Junction. **6.25** The Hive. (R) **6.35** The Hive. (R) **6.45** Dino Dan. (R) **6.55** Dino Dan. **7.05** Animals. (R) **7.15** Animals. (R) **7.20** Almost Naked Animals. (R) **7.30** Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. **8.00** Sony with a Chance. **8.25** ITV News. **8.30** Country House Sunday. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) **10.20** Dickinson's Real Deal. (R) **11.20** ITV News; Weather. **11.25** Film: Columbo: Mind Over Mayhem. (1974) **12.55** You've Been Framed! (R) **1.25** Britain's Got Talent. (R) **2.55** Food of the Future. (R) **3.55** Film: Jurassic Park. (1993)

6.15 Regional Programme; Weather.

6.30 Catchphrase. Stephen Mulhern hosts the game show in which contestants guess the familiar phrases hidden in animated clues, before one of them plays to win £50,000.

7.30 Off Their Rockers. An OAP attempts escapology for the first time.

8.00 Endeavour. Morse meets his intellectual match when a serial killer keeps himself one step ahead of the law and leaves cryptic messages to goad the police. Starring Shaun Evans.

10.00 Perspectives: Jonathan Ross: Alfred Hitchcock – Made in Britain. The life and career of the celebrated director.

11.00 ITV News; Weather. **11.15** Premiership Rugby Union. **12.15** The Store. **2.15** British Superbike Championship Highlights. **3.10** Wink. (R) **4.40** ITV NightScreen. **5.05** The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R)

CHANNEL 4

6.15 The Hoobs. (R) **6.40** The Hoobs. (R) **7.05** Freesports on 4. **7.35** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.00** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.25** Frasier. (R) **8.55** Frasier. (R) **9.30** Sunday Brunch. **12.00** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.25** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **1.20** The Simpsons. (R) **1.50** The Simpsons. (R) **2.20** Film: Meet Dave. (2008) Sci-fi comedy, starring Eddie Murphy. **4.05** Deal or No Deal. **5.05** Minutes to a Fortune.

6.05 Channel 4 News.

6.30 Come Dine with Me. Contestants from Sheffield try to outdo each other with their culinary creations, but Chris Crossley's attempts to charm Suzanne Bell backfire. (R)

7.30 Film: The Karate Kid. (2010) Premiere. An American youngster living in China falls foul of bullies, until a kung fu master teaches him to defend himself. Martial arts drama, with Jaden Smith and Jackie Chan.

10.15 Film: Max Payne. (2008) A tormented cop searches for his wife's killer while investigating a series of murders connected to a hallucinatory drug. Action thriller, starring Mark Wahlberg and Mila Kunis.

12.10 Film: Enemy at the Gates. (2001) Second World War drama, starring Jude Law. **2.25** Tumult. **2.40** Inside Nature's Giants: The Big Cats. The anatomy of big cats. (R) **3.35** Come Dine with Me. Four strangers from south Devon compete to host the perfect dinner party. (R) **4.30** Deal or No Deal. Beat-the-banker game show. (R) **5.25** Countdown. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake! Peppa Pig. **6.05** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **6.15** Fifi and the Flowerpots. (R) **6.25** Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures. (R) **6.30** The Mr Men Show. (R) **6.45** Chloe's Closet. **6.55** Roobarb and Custard Too. (R) **7.05** Bananas in Pyjamas. (R) **7.15** Animal Antics. (R) **7.20** Noddy in Toyland. (R) **7.35** Mio Mao. (R) **7.40** City of Friends. (R) **7.50** Milkshake! Monkey. (R) **7.55** Little Princess. (R) **8.10** The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) **8.25** Milkshake! Show Songs. (R) **8.25** Angelina Ballerina. (R) **8.45** Rupert Bear. (R) **9.00** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) **9.15** Toby's Travelling Circus. (R) **9.30** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **9.45** Jelly Jam. (R) **10.00** Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures. (R) **10.05** Power Rangers: Super Samurai. (R) **10.40** Batman: The Brave and the Bold. **11.10** Inside Hollywood. **11.15** Trauma Doctors. (R) **12.15** Cowboy Builders. (R) **1.15** Rolf's Animal Clinic. (R) **2.20** Film: It Could Happen to You. (1994) **4.15** Film: Little Women. (1994)

6.30 5 News Weekend.

6.35 Film: The Fifth Element. (1997) Sci-fi adventure, starring Bruce Willis, Milla Jovovich and Gary Oldman.

9.00 Once Upon a Time. Snow and Emma try to find a portal back to Storybrooke.

10.00 Person of Interest. (2012) Crime thriller, directed by and starring Clint Eastwood and Anjelica Huston.

1.05 SuperCasino. **3.55** Wildlife SOS. (R) **4.45** Country Secrets. (R) **5.55** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.10** Angels of Jarm. (R) **5.15** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **5.25** The Funky Valley Show. (R) **5.35** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.50** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

DIGITAL

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7.00 World's Craziest Fools **7.30** Live MotoGP **9.00** The Voice UK **10.00** Barely Legal Drivers **11.00** Family Guy **11.45** American Dad!
BBC Four
7.00 The Century That Wrote Itself **8.00** The Review Show **9.00** Arena: aka Norman Parkinson **10.00** Secret Life of Rockpools **11.00** Motor Racing at the BBC: That Petrol Emotion **11.30** Exotic Pop at the BBC

ITV2
3.45 You've Been Framed! **4.15** Britain's Got Talent **5.45** Britain's Got More Talent **6.45** Film: The Mummy: Tomb of the Dragon Emperor (2008) **9.00** Film: Shaun of the Dead (2004) **11.00** Celebrity Juice **11.15** Film: Kiss Kiss Bang Bang (2005)

BTV
3.55 Film: Agatha Christie's Murder in Three Acts (1986) **5.55** Agatha Christie's Poirot **8.00** Film: Hamlet (1990) **10.45** Blue Murder

ITV4
10.45 Live British Touring Car Championship **6.00** Police, Camera, Action! **7.00** The Sweeney **8.00** Premiership Rugby Union **9.00** Cycling **10.00** Inkin Premier League Cricket **11.00** Film: 8 Mile (2002)

E4
3.05 Charmed **4.05** Revenge **5.00** How I Met Your Mother **5.30** New Girl **6.00** The Big Bang Theory **7.30** The Mindy Project **8.00** Film: Bride Wars (2008) **9.45** Darren Brown: Something Wicked This Way Comes **11.20** 2 Broke Girls **11.50** The Big Bang Theory

Film4
2.50 Rear Window (1954) **5.15** Just Wright (2010) **7.10** Knights of the South Bronx (2005) **9.00** Semi-Pro (2008) Comedy, starring Will Ferrell. **10.50** The Full Monty (1997)

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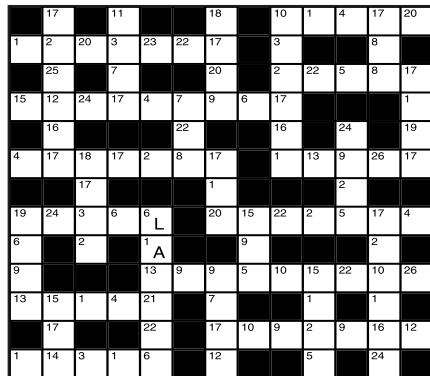
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Codeword

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:
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Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

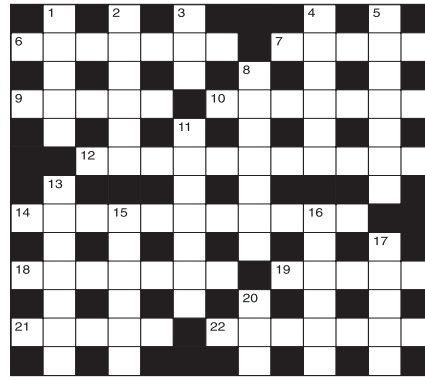
Cryptic Clues:

Across

6. Unusually angered (7)
7. Agree to advance (3,2)
9. Such remarks may still be pointed! (5)
10. Decorations I prohibit in small thoroughfares (7)
12. For many road-users, they provide a stern outlook (4,7)
14. Patient attendants who treat only employees? (5,6)
18. He won't make certain advances (7)
19. It may be sung in a lovely rich baritone voice (5)
21. People count on them to send them to sleep! (5)
22. Exercise done by a prisoner (7)

Down

1. Single unfronted fireplace (5)
2. Native American who may keep watch for you (6)
3. Catch a number up (3)
4. Free beer held up and put down again (6)
5. Common knowledge (3-4)
8. I arrive upset, for a sunny holiday? (7)
11. A good one will be true to type (7)
13. Wasting a prize (7)
15. Possibly gifted young scholars may be told not to! (6)
16. Rarely seen part of the French President's residence (6)
17. Not much to steal (5)
20. Don't go without a pen (3)



Quick Clues:

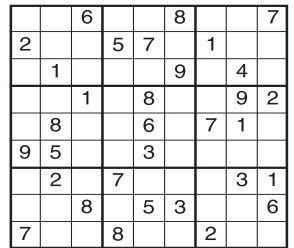
Across

6. Nominate (7)
7. Lesser (5)
9. Afterwards (5)
10. Pad (7)
12. Booby prize (6,5)
14. Go separate ways (4,7)
18. Horse-soldiers (7)
19. Accumulate (5)
21. Performed (5)
22. Regulated (7)

Down

1. Utter (5)
2. Spanish dance (6)
3. Finish (3)
4. Chessman (6)
5. A wise man (7)
8. Vegetables (7)
11. Postpone (7)
13. Poise (7)
15. Journey (6)
16. Figure (6)
17. Awry (5)
20. Skill (3)

Sudoku



Fill in the grid below so that every row and every column, and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

6	1	9	7	3	8	4	2	5
3	2	7	6	5	4	9	1	8
8	5	4	9	1	2	6	3	7
7	4	5	1	6	3	2	8	9
1	6	2	4	8	9	7	5	3
9	3	8	5	2	7	1	6	4
5	7	1	3	4	6	8	9	2
2	9	3	8	7	1	5	4	6
4	8	6	2	9	5	3	7	1

LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS:
CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Hostile act; 7 Adder; 8 Frantic; 10 Knock-out; 11 Area; 13 Absent; 15 Amoral; 17 Tear; 18 Imprison; 21 Regatta; 22 Liege; 23 Better half. Down: 1 Hydro; 2 Striking; 3 Influx; 4 Edam; 5 Caterer; 6 Taskmaster; 9 Challenger; 12 Umbrella; 14 Spangle; 16 Impair; 19 Sheaf; 20 Stet. QUICK - Across: 1 Similitude; 7 Clear; 8 Support; 10 Overseer; 11 Mean; 13 Nectar; 15 Grieve; 17 Arid; 18 Toboggan; 21 Tip-toed; 22 Amass; 23 Ingredient. Down: 1 Sieve; 2 Marksman; 3 Lesson; 4 Type; 5 Diocesan; 6 Accountant; 9 Tenderness; 12 Arrogate; 14 Crispin; 16 Sordid; 19 Guilt; 20 Pour.



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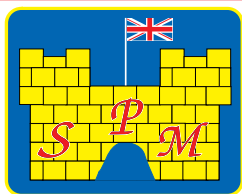
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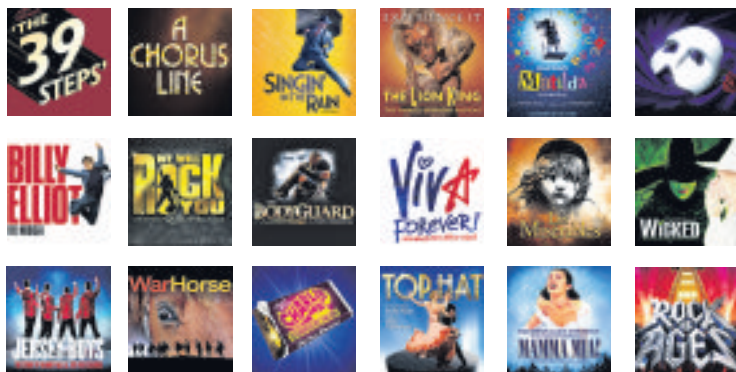
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Motoring

Turn over a new Leaf with latest all-electric

THE next generation of Nissan's all-electric Leaf has arrived – and for the first time, buyers can lease batteries for the 100 per cent electric car and choose one of three trim levels.

A new pricing structure has been introduced to reflect the three trim levels and the battery-leasing options now available – but things are far from complicated. Cars bought with leased batteries will be known as 'Flex' models and buyers will be able to get behind the wheel of an entry-level Visia Leaf on that basis for £15,990 (after receipt of the Government's £5,000 plug-in grant).

The separate battery lease payment ranges from just £70 per month depending on the length of the contract and mileage covered.

The highest price anyone will pay for a Leaf is £25,490 (again, after receipt of the grant). This will be for a top-of-the-range Tekna Leaf, with the battery bought outright.

The new Leaf features more than 100 improvements over its predecessor – many of which were made as a result of feedback from Nissan's active community of Leaf owners.

Most notably, the car's range has been extended from 109 miles to 124 miles. And its battery is capable of recharging in about half the time of the first-generation Leaf.

The longer range has been achieved by improving the Leaf's aerodynamics and its regenerative braking system and a more efficient E-powertrain. The real world range has also been improved with the introduction of a new heating system which is 70 per cent more efficient through the use of a heat pump in the system.

Unique

But that's far from the whole story. New interior trim, the addition of Nissan's Around View Monitor technology and new suspension settings specifically tailored for European roads build on the Leaf's unique driving experience.

The three trim levels available to UK buyers are Visia, Acenta and Tekna. All models have increased boot space because of the relocation of the charging point and an enhanced interior trim. There is a height-adjust facility on both front seats and more foot space for passengers.

At the top of the range, Tekna features a Bose energy-efficient sound system with a subwoofer and seven speakers. In addition, there are 17in alloys and LED headlamps.

Whichever route buyers choose to Leaf ownership, peace of mind is assured with Nissan's enhanced battery warranty. The warranty on the previous-generation Leaf's battery covered it against defective materials or workmanship for five years. The extended warranty also protects against capacity loss, with a commitment to repair or replace a battery which falls short of what might reasonably be expected.

Nissan's announcement of a new era for emission-free motoring continues to drive the electric revolution forward. Owning an electric car has never been more appealing. Some of the benefits are well-known, such as the lack of Vehicle Excise Duty and exemption from the London congestion charge, but it's becoming easier to charge up a Nissan Leaf on the move with more public charging points opening all the time. And of course, the cost of a full battery charge is a fraction of the price of a tank of petrol.

Jim Wright, managing director of Nissan Motor (GB) Ltd, said: "We are very proud of the new Nissan Leaf, which underlines our commitment to the future of electric motoring."

"With more than 100 improvements over the outgoing model, it really does mark the next stage in the electric motoring revolution. Built at our record-breaking Sunderland plant for British drivers using British roads, we're looking forward to it becoming our next home-grown success story."



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SPORT

Tom nets double in a tight thriller

Junior football

St Joseph's U11 Colts 3 Perton & Codsall U11 4
PERTON and Codsall won a seven-goal thriller in the Bilston League thanks to a double strike from Tom Atkinson and goals from Liam Binnie and Robbie Crnec.

Wednesfield RBL U15 2 Perton and Codsall U15 Wolves 0

A goal in each half saw Perton and Codsall beaten at Wednesfield. They fell behind on 20 minutes after failing to deal with a long ball. A shot was parried by keeper Nathan Reeves but spun into the net.

Wednesfield added a second after the break.

Perton's Alex Blyth shot high and Dominic Williams' fierce shot which brought a sharp save from Jake King.

Bilbrook Juniors U11 9 Oldswinford U11 1

A well-taken goal from man of the match Jayden Waltho set Bilbrook on the way to their biggest win of the season. Leading scorer Chris Richardson and Kailon Rickerby each got a brace. There were goals from Jackson Stone, Liam Grey, Josh Head and an own goal.

Huybrechts on oche at exhibition

TICKETS are still available to see last weekend's 'scourge of the West Midlands darters' at an exhibition in Wolverhampton tonight.

Kim Huybrechts joins fellow PDC rising star Dean Winstanley at the Cleveland Arms, Stow Heath Lane.

At last Sunday's UK Open qualifiers in Wigan, Huybrechts lost only in the last leg of the final to Michael van Gerwen.

The 27-year-old Belgian put out Bloxwich's Matthew Dennant, Rugeley's Mark Hylton and Wolverhampton's Wayne Jones en route. Winstanley is making a name for himself in the PDC since switching from the BDO, where he was world championship runner-up in 2011.

The 32-year-old from Doncaster hit a nine-darter in his first PDC World Championship in December and was voted the organisation's best newcomer for 2012.

Tickets for the exhibition are £10 each, either on the door, on 01902 451 021 or at www.clevelandarms.com

Best run for 'Wanderer'

WOLVERHAMPTON darter Wayne Jones recorded his best run of the year in a PDC tournament after reaching the last 16 of the weekend's PDC's UK Open qualifiers.

'The Wanderer' bounced back from Saturday's second-round defeat, 6-3 to Ronnie Baxter, after opening his account with a 6-4 win over Kevin Painter. Jones was beaten at the oche at the Robin Park Centre, Wigan, for Sunday's second tournament.

After a first-round bye the 47-year-old then embarked on three straight 6-4 wins to put out Dutchman Leon de Geus, the talented Dean Winstanley and Irish hero William O'Connor.

He lost to Kim Huybrechts in the fourth round but banked £600 and stays 31st in the merit order.

Murphy's bream haul gives him top spot

ROUND one of the Traditional Settings individual Spring League got under way at Patshull Park in Pattingham.

A superb 46-8-0 haul of bream to 5lb snared on red worm and maggot baits off peg nine gave Phil Murphy of Leigh Raiders top spot.

A tight tussle ensued for the 35 anglers at the Blackford's Progressive Saturday Open at Calf Heath Reservoir. Drawn on peg 50, Chris Brown (Gerry's of Nottingham) offered dead red maggot at 50 metres for a fine 23-12-0 net of skimmers to 1½lb.

Ten ounces adrift came

Cannock's Dave Shaw on peg 53, attracting bream to 3lb for 23-2-0. Mark Greening (Streetly) had bream to 2lb for third on 20-12-0.

The Staffordshire & Worcestershire Canal, Wombourne, saw action for Saturday's Wolverhampton AA Open and Paul Turner (Maver Tipton VDE) won with a 6-8-0 mixed net of roach, perch and gudgeon tempted on squatt and pinkie baits from peg two. Four Ashes AC captain Mel Wood was second on peg 12.

At the first of the season's Wol-

Angling

verhampton Over-60s Club Open events on the A Section of the Staffordshire & Worcestershire Canal at Otherton Lock on Wednesday, Bridgetown rod Cliff Harrison poled his favoured hempseed bait on peg six for a rewarding 3-8-0 all-roach net.

The King's men reigned supreme in both contests at King's Pools in Shareshill.

One fish split the top two at Wednesday's Affordable on the Big Match Pool, where Steve Lawrence

(King's) poled pellet on peg 55 to clinch the match with a 40-1-0 bag of F1s to 2lb. Teenager Jordan Hall (Maver Midlands/Bag 'Em Baits) had 30 F1s on the pellet feeder, off peg 34 was second on 38-7-0.

The pool also played host to the Sunday Open and Kings' John Benjamin took the spoils with a 43-2-0 haul of pellet-caught F1s to 2lb from peg 37. Shakespeare Super-team captain Mick Hatchard pole-fished pellet on peg 38 to be second with a 40-0-0 net of carp to 3lb.

On Sunday, round one of the nationwide Angling Times/Bait-Tech Clubman Super Cup Tourna-

ment began at Wheaton Aston on the Shropshire Union Canal. Cashmore's AC took on Ridgemere AC. Barry Astbury (Cashmore's) took top spot by two drams, teasing out 82 roach and gudgeon on pinkie and squatt from peg one, near the bridge, for 2-6-12.

Ninety gudgeon off peg nine gave second to team-mate Chris Constable on 2-6-10. Cashmore's had five section wins, 13 points; Ridgemere three sections and 11 points.

Goodyear AC chose the Front Deans Pool at P1 Woodland View in Hadley for their Sunday Club bout, which Colin Upton won.

High-five Tai unbeaten as he keeps up his run

Wolves 56 Coventry 36
TAI WOFFINDEN continued his stunning start to the season by going through the card unbeaten as Wolverhampton demolished Midlands rivals Coventry Bees.

Woffinden was unstoppable on Monday but it was a solid all-round team display. It meant the Parys International Wolves picked up Elite League points from all five of their outings as they went into last night's scheduled match at Poole before looking ahead to this Monday's home clash against old rivals the Eastbourne Eagles.

Coventry had brought in Stuart Robson - always good to watch at Monmore - for Mateusz Szczepaniak, but could find no answer.

Woffinden set the tone by winning the opening race in the fastest time of the short season so far and by the half-way stage Wolves were 10 up.

Coventry team boss Gary Havelock turned to Robson and seven-times British champion Scott Nicholls to stem the tide. But Robson suffered a 5-1 in heat eight, and in the following race Nicholls could only split the home pairing, as a resurgent Adam Skornicki took an easy win.

Split

Only Ludvig Lindgren failed to secure at least a paid victory for Wolves, but the Swede was good value for his six-point return.

Woffinden (paid), and Freddie Lindgren (full) claimed maximums, while Skornicki showed his best form of the season.

It was Ty Proctor, though, who produced the most eye-catching performance.

He dropped his only point to an opponent when Robson split the home pairing in heat one.

Proctor's remaining races all produced 5-1s for the home side. In heat six he bravely squeezed around the narrowest of gaps between

Speedway

Nicholls and the fence. Nicholls tried to respond, but Proctor held the gas on to take second behind partner Woffinden.

In heat eight, reserve Jacob Thorsell was in the lead, and Proctor picked off Joe Screen, and then snatched second on the line from Robson.

Grzegorz Zengota gated in heat 10, but Woffinden and Proctor went either side of him off the second turn.

Woffinden completed his unbeaten haul in heat 15, with Skornicki passing Zengota as Wolves retained their unbeaten home record in comfortable fashion.

Proctor believes riding in two leagues is helping him.

He tracks for Plymouth in the Premier League and a busier schedule is clearly working well - he regards his 7+3 score on Monday as his best Monmore meeting in a long time.

"I got paid-11 against Belle Vue, but this was definitely my best meeting here in about two years," he said. "I really worked hard during the week."

Wolves: Tai Woffinden 14+1, Freddie Lindgren 12, Adam Skornicki 9+2, Ty Proctor 7+3, Ludvig Lindgren 6, Jacob Thorsell 5+1, Ricky Wallis 3.

Coventry: Michal Szczepaniak 9+1, Grzegorz Zengota 9, Scott Nicholls 6+1, Stuart Robson 6, Krzysztof Kasprzak 4, Aaron Summers 2+1, Joe Screen 0.



Tai Woffinden goes unbeaten in five rides against Coventry Bees
Pictures: John Hipkiss Photography



Freddie Lindgren from a Bees perspective



Adam Skornicki leads Aaron Summers in Wolves' big victory over their old rivals at Monmore Green

Pair get back on the title trail

WOLVES pair Tai Woffinden and Freddie Lindgren pick up their world championship campaign on Saturday in the European Grand Prix at Bydgoszcz, Poland. Woffinden scored nine points and Lindgren eight in the first round, held at Auckland, New Zealand.



All-action Aussie Ty Proctor leads Krzysztof Kasprzak at Monmore

Away win confirms seconds as champions

Shrewsbury 0 Wolverhampton 8
VICTORY for Wolverhampton seconds finally confirmed them as league champions.

They were without regulars Chris Sharples, James Bolton, Andy Smailes and Lee Baker. But after some moving round and a few phone calls Will Watkins, Matt Moore and Cal Wellings came in to fill the gaps.

Both sides were evenly matched up front and the battle of the breakdown would be critical. Wolves began brightly and shade the territory battle despite playing into the strong wind.

At the halfway point of the first half the breakthrough came as Wolves worked forward down the right side and a pop to Wellings saw the big second row go close only for Shrewsbury to infringe at the breakdown and Wolves were awarded a

Rugby union

penalty five metres out. Greg Jones took a quick tap and fed Jon Doughty, who drove in low and hard to get the ball down.

If the first half was scrappy, the second was dire, littered with handling errors and mistakes with neither side able to hit their stride.

Shrews had a period of prolonged pressure in the Wolves 22-metre area but the defence held firm and repelled the attacks with the aggression and commitment.

Most of the second half was played in between both sides' 22s with only the odd bit of skill or strong running getting one side into scoring territory. Notable runs came from Wellings and Conah Walker.

It was on one of these rare trips to the 22

that Shrews infringed on the Wolves rolling maul, allowing Phil Goodison to add a penalty that sealed the win.

The thirds lost 31-10 at Wednesbury. Three Wolverhampton junior sides were triumphant in Staffordshire County semi-finals staged at Castlecroft.

The under-16s beat Stafford 55-3; the under-15s got the better of Burton 22-7 and the under-14s edged an evenly-balanced clash with Lichfield 17-12.

The under-16s made a superb start as full-back Josh Melvin completed a fine move from close range. Stafford landed a penalty to cut the deficit to two points, but it was to be their only score of the game.

Lock Paul Cole got over for a try converted by scrum-half Tom Jones and the home side were on their way. By the time the half-time whistle was blown the Wolves had breached

the Stafford defensive line on three more occasions with hooker Rob Chapman and prop Joe Lappage getting home from close range. Between the two forward-inspired efforts, outside centre Sean Casey finished off a superb handling move involving a darting run by fly half Luke Jones to under line the grip the boys in black had on the game. Jones obliged with two conversions to extend the home sides lead to 28 points.

Within three minutes of the restart Chapman, now at No 8, bludgeoned his way over for a try, which Jones converted.

Pressure from a rampant but changed Wolves pack yielded three further tries in the final 20 minutes as Melvin, now at scrum half, and winger Matt Corden completed two fine handling moves either side of an ever-alert Chapman picking up from the back of the scrum to score from close range.

Old Wulfs extend lead with four-goal victory

Junior football

Old Wulfs U15 4 Warley Borough U15 1

OLD WULFS took full advantage of a game in hand to extend their lead at the top of Stourbridge League Division One and end Warley's hopes of a challenge.

In a largely lacklustre first half, both sides struggled to get the ball down on the dry, bobbly surface.

Rory Harrison broke through on 20 minutes with a low angled shot but Warley's Sam Stringer struck a deserved equaliser.

The introduction of Zak Lilly and Nyn Graham-Shea at half-time injected some spark into proceedings for Wulfs and they scored twice within a five-minute spell.

Harrison set up Graham-Shea to put Wulfs back in front and then a solo effort from Djoffrey Mpoyi made it 3-1. Late on, a strong overlap from Jack Cox set up Graham-Shea for his second goal to seal the win.

Gornal Colts U15 1 Old Wulfs U15 2

This clash between the third and first-placed teams was dominated by the blustery conditions, but Wulfs did enough to take the win.

They went ahead with a rare headed goal from Ethan Scott, who glanced in Zak Lilly's corner. Gornal responded swiftly as Joe Maitland headed home from a free-kick. But Wulfs regained the advantage with a headed goal as Billy Morgan got on the end of Jack Cox's cross.

Both sides rattled the bar in the second half, but there were no further goals as Wulfs retained their leadership of the division.

Trysull Tigers U10 West 3 Penn Colts U10 West 2

Penn went down by the odd goal in five after taking the lead on 10 minutes when a low Jack Humphreys cross found Brwa Saleh at the far post to slot the ball home.

Trysull equalised five minutes later, but Penn were on top and Devante Ramsey hit the bar from distance.

Two quick goals after half-time put Trysull in charge, but Penn rallied and Milat Patel got one back with a fine shot on the turn.

Penn finished the stronger, but could not find an equaliser after good work from Saleh and Devante Ramsey caused panic in the Trysull area. Penn finished the game the stronger but couldn't find the equaliser.

Penn Colts U10 West 0 Halas Hawks U10 East 0

The scoreline did not reflect an exciting competitive game played in windy conditions.

Halas had the better of the first half, but Penn offered much more in the second period with Joseph Davies shooting over and Brwa Saleh hitting a post.

It looked all up for Penn when Halas won a penalty, but keeper Aaron Purwar got down smartly to save.

Penn Colts U10 South 2 Dudley Town U10 0

Penn carried the momentum from last week's victory in this match and created chance after chance. Ruben Upton hit bar and post while Michael O'Sullivan and Rahul Jassal both had shots cleared off the line.

Ironically, Penn were less dominant in the second period yet scored twice. Akash Patel found space for a calm finish in a goalsmouth scramble before Martyn Keats' long-range drive secured the points.

Hopes of glory lie in the hands of judges

STOURBRIDGE Chess Club's hopes of glory in the Terrill final rest with adjudication.

The handicap system meant Stourbridge needed only two points from the six boards.

But they were playing without their usual boards and were heavily outgraded on every board.

First to succumb was Greg Dyett on board three. After an unusual opening, he failed to castle and his opponent won swiftly.

On board six Eric Horwill also lost.

The other four boards were all adjourned: David Scriven swapped queens during a scramble as the time control approached, but has the worse of the endgame.

Nick Arkell and Steve Jukes have drawing chances and on top board Jeremy Fallowfield is a pawn up but a long way from a win.

In Division Two of the Wolverhampton League, the seconds lost 3.5-2.5 to Boldmere. The top three boards of Eric Horwill, Julie Wilson and John Foxall all drew.

Just grand as Fullwell rank rises

STOURBRIDGE darter Nick Fullwell made it to the last 16 and banked £1,000 for his weekend's work in the PDC's UK Open qualifiers at Wigan's Robin Park Centre.

Fullwell, who rose to 68th in the PDC Order of Merit, did his best work on Saturday, enjoying a first round bye before seeing off Matt Clark and Connie Finnan, by 6-3 and 6-5 respectively.

A 6-5 success over Serbian Mensur Suljovic, propelled him into the fifth round but he came off second best to world No.11 Gary Anderson, who won 6-3.

Fullwell was back for Sunday's tournament and beat Jani Haavisto 6-5.

The 43-year-old was again pushed all the way by Andrew Gilding but won 6-5 and he excelled in a third round match against Joey Palfreyman, winning 6-2.

That put Fullwell to within a game of matching Saturday's run but he was defeated in another last leg battle to Ronny Huybrechts.

Great Scott as utility man gets two tries

Stourbridge 29 Wednesbury 13
MID-TABLE Wednesbury were unable to put a dent in the Lions' Midlands Three West (North) promotion hopes.

The presence of an ex-Lion plus several former Dudley Kingswinford players – one of them resplendent in his DK shorts – certainly added some extra spice to this local derby, especially as the first game had ended in a 24-24 draw!

The men from across the Black Country adapted better to the wet conditions and it was no surprise when they took the lead in the third minute, their full-back neatly slotting home a penalty. But

the Lions soon got back on track with the first try of the game, from captain Stuart Doolittle.

It was his 23rd try of a remarkable season and followed a series of 'pick and goes' from the forwards. Fly half Tom Mitchell added the extras and the Lions were 7-3 in front.

Wednesbury cut the gap with another well-taken penalty from their full-back and then kept the Lions on the back foot by scoring a try in the right-hand corner.

A speculative kick from their scrum-half bounced fortuitously into the welcoming hands of their No.8 and he grounded it. Mitchell

Stourbridge Lions

then landed a penalty for the home side to trim the visitors' half-time lead to 13-10.

The Lions' usual expansive style of play clearly wasn't working in the greasy conditions, so a half-time change of game plan was implemented.

The forwards then took control and started to boss the set-pieces, driving back the Wednesbury scrum time and time again.

This forward domination set the tone for the half with a man of the match performance from utility

forward Scott Langdon, who bagged his first try following a strong run which included four big hand-offs to leave Wednesbury players trailing in his wake. Mitchell again converted and the Lions led by four.

New-boy Langdon, who can play hooker or back row, soon crashed over for his second try after an equally strong run to finish off a fine phase of forward play.

Mitchell again slotted the extras from a difficult kick far out to the right of the posts to make it 24-13.

A catch and drive line-out made its way to prop Adam Bowser at the back of the maul to crash over in

the corner. Mitchell hit the post with his conversion to leave the final score 29-13.

The firsts are now just two wins from promotion as they host leaders Newcastle on Saturday.

The club hope for a big spectator turnout at the match and will provide a three-course lunch for £12.50. Call 01384 395000.

The Lions seconds won 36-12 at Old Griffinsians with four tries from new fly-half George Morgan, one for captain James Metaxus and one for Colt Steve Smith, who slotted four conversions.

The Lions thirds, the Grasshoppers, beat Kidderminster 19-12.

Cup win revenge as Stour hit four

Stourbridge Juniors

Stourbridge U12A 4 Middleton Cheney U12 1
STOURBRIDGE marched impressively into the final of the MJPL Cup with this revenge win.

Cheney had won the earlier league fixture between the sides 3-0, so Stourbridge anticipated a tough game.

Hat-trick hero Jordan Edwards forced a third-minute fingertip save from the Cheney keeper, but then went on to score 14 minutes later. He forced the ball home after playing a one-two with Max Haddon.

Edwards' perseverance brought the second as he closed down the keeper and slid the ball home.

Stourbridge's third goal came direct from a corner swung in by James Welch.

Two minutes from half-time came the fourth, Edwards making space and firing home. Cheney also scored direct from a corner, but it was not enough.

Stourbridge U12B 3 Withymoor 1

Stourbridge bounced back to win after falling behind to a freak goal.

The Withymoor keeper's long punt, aided by a strong wind, caught out Stourbridge's keeper to open the scoring.

But Ritchie Cartwright helped himself to two goals and Alex Clarke completed the scoring.

Stourbridge U13A 0 WBA Colts U13 1

Albion's Colts shaded a tight cup tie with the only goal of the game.

It came halfway through the first period when Stourbridge were perhaps enjoying slightly the better of the possession.

Wordsley Wasps U13 0 Stourbridge U13B 4

Stourbridge were not at their best in the first half, despite taking the lead inside half a minute through Brooke Price.

But they packed up in the second period and doubled their advantage when Jack Davies took full advantage of Sam Green's fine pass.

It was Green again, creating the third for Price. Daniel Blunt rattled in the fourth direct from a corner.

Results: Kewford Eagles U11 East 4 Stourbridge U11 1, Swindon U14 Youth 2 Stourbridge U14A 0, Tipton Town U15 3 Stourbridge U15A 1, Stourbridge U15B 1, Warley Borough U15 2, Kingshurst Sporting U15 Girls 1 Stourbridge U15 Girls 0, Stourbridge U17 Girls 1 Wyre Forest U17 Girls 0.

Marauding Saxons put opponents to the sword

Stourbridge Saxons 32 Preston Grasshoppers 22

TWO penalty tries reflected a dominant performance by Stourbridge's pack in this National Two North victory.

Having played against the elements in the first half, they overhauled a seven-point deficit in the second as they turned the screw on their opponents. Pretty it may not have been; effective it most certainly was.

The Saxons conceded a soft early try when Sione Tu'ipolotu's chargedown bounced into the hands of a Preston three-quarter who linked neatly with his supporting teammates to enable lock forward Gareth Gore to barge through with barely two minutes on the clock.

Jamie Hearn hit back with a penalty when Preston were caught offside, but Preston's full-back Sean Taylor took advantage of the wind to stretch the lead with three penalties from four attempts over the next 20 minutes as the Saxons transgressed in range of their posts, a dangerous tackle also costing centre Gary Dipple 10 minutes in the sinbin.

Attacks

Having had the better of the early scrum exchanges, the Saxons' pack drove the disintegrating Preston eight off their own ball on the half-hour.

The penalty was kicked to the corner and Preston lost a defender to the sinbin for not rolling away at the tackle as the Saxons sent waves of attacks hammering into their goalline defences.

Inevitably the pressure told and it was tighthead prop Mark George who emerged from the bottom of a maul that was driven over the line from a Robbie Hurrell line-out take.

With Hearn converting, the lead was down to four points with just a couple of

minutes left to half-time, but the Saxons inadvisely tried to run the restart into the wind and conceded a penalty in front of the sticks for holding on at the tackle. Taylor duly converted, making the half-time score 17-10 to Preston.

The visitors coughed up early second-half possession in their own half, their defence just holding out the Saxons' counter but at the cost of another sinbining for a cynical offside.

The Saxons opted for a five-metre scrum, the Preston tighthead prop buckled under the pressure and referee Rob Warburton had no hesitation in awarding a penalty try, Hearn converting to level the scores.

The Saxons looked to have contained the next Preston attack, but replacement Caolan Ryan's attempted clearance kick was charged down by replacement Grasshoppers flanker Andrew Napier, who won the race to ground the ball as it rebounded deep into the Saxons' in-goal area. Hearn

pulled back three points with a penalty following another visitors' scrum indiscretion, but Preston managed to defend the slim lead until just after the hour mark when the Saxons were again able to deploy their attacking scrum in the Preston 22. Three times they buckled, the referee losing patience and sinbining their replacement prop. Eventually the Saxons opted to move the ball wide where full-back Sam Baker was able to force his way through the wide left cover to re-take the lead.

With just three minutes left, Preston conceded another scrum penalty that Ryan kicked to the corner in the chase for the try bonus point. The throw found Ben Hughes at the tail; the outside backs piled into the maul which was driven forward but pulled down illegally just short of the line.

The referee had no hesitation in awarding the penalty try. Hearn converted for a 10-point winning margin.

Stourbridge Saxons



Ben Barkley attempts to break a tackle as Stourbridge Saxons try to go forward



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Crowded fixture list takes its toll

Causeway United 0 Dunkirk 1
THIS was probably a game too far for Causeway, who looked a touch jaded after their third home fixture in a week.

In contrast, Dunkirk were speedy up front and the Causeway defence had trouble coping with their pace.

Causeway did have the first chance of this Midland Alliance fixture when an inswinging corner from Sam Beasley was just tipped over the bar by goalkeeper Danie Dobbie.

But the visitors took the lead with a free-kick on 25 minutes from Richard Whyman after Matt Aston was adjudged to have fouled Jack Hopper just outside the box.

Effort

Aaron Lloyd almost equalised for Causeway when he went up for a challenge with the goalkeeper on 53 minutes but his header went just wide.

However, as the game wore on, Dunkirk looked the more likely to score.

Rhys Jefferies shot wide and then put an effort against Tom Turner's legs just seven minutes from time.

With two minutes of the match remaining, substitute Bradley Wells shot wide for Dunkirk but they had done enough to take a deserved three points back to Nottingham.

The game last Saturday, was already Causeway's fifth of the month and the defeat broke a run of four successive drawn matches.

A champion lesson given

TAEKWONDO students got a lesson from a world champion.

Triple world kickboxing champion Rob Taylor gave a master class at the Verve club, which teaches in Kingswinford and Stourbridge.

Taylor took his team of multiple champions to give instructions at a three-hour seminar covering skills from basic to world class levels.

Verve instructor Carl Trevitt said: "It was a fantastic day."

"We had students of all ages and grades, everyone learned so much - we can't wait for the next one."

For more information on Verve, contact Trevitt on 07843 947736.



Champion Reanne Evans

Reanne rules as she pots a ninth title

DUDLEY snooker ace Reanne Evans has won the women's world snooker championship final for a record ninth year in succession.

And Evans compiled two century breaks in the process.

The 27-year-old accounted for fellow Dudley player and world No.1 Maria Catalano 6-3 in the World Ladies Billiards & Snooker Association's showpiece event at Cambridge Snooker Centre.

Evans said of her record: "Nobody ever dreams about doing things like that. I'm over the moon. I play every

Snooker

tournament like it's a fresh one, otherwise there's too much pressure.

"The pressure's on me to lose it, not for them to win it."

It was the fourth time in five years that the friends from Dudley, had met in the world final.

Evans started with a 100 clearance in the first frame and added a 60 and a 117 clearance straight after the mid-session interval to lead 5-2.

Catalano, 30, still seeking a first

world title, pulled one back with a run of 44 but Evans wrapped things up in the next.

"It's good to have two centuries, especially in a final," said the champion. "It's good to bring it off the practice table, because I do it all the time in practice."

Elsewhere, Hannah Jones claimed her fifth junior title. The 16-year-old from Derby beat 13-year-old Jasmine Bolsover 3-0 in the final. In the main event, Jones put out No.2 seed Emma Bonney 3-0 and topped her round-robin group

before being knocked out 3-0 by Yu Ching Ching in the quarter-finals.

Hong Kong compatriots Ng On Yee and So Man Yan, champions in 2011, accounted for Maureen Rowland and Tatjana Vasiljeva 2-0 to collect their second Ladies Pairs crown.

Suffolk duo Fran Calvert and Aidan Owens edged WLBPA president Mandy Fisher and Phil Mumford 3-2 in the Mixed Pairs final. Jenny Poulter, of Maidstone, clinched her third Seniors title by beating Marianne Williams 3-0.

Cyclists recover after ride from hell

IT was a case of hell and back for seven Stourbridge Cycling Club riders.

They entered the 'Hell of the North Cotswolds' cycle trial, a gruelling 100km route of bridleways and farm tracks including everything from technical rocky sections to rutted muddy tracks.

As an early-season reliability ride, no times or placings are recorded - the object is purely to finish.

The popular event, based on the countryside around Winchcombe, regularly attracts more than 1,200 riders and this year, its 30th, produced an entry nearer 1,500.

It is the brainchild of the late Pat Smith and Tim Groom who had ridden the famous Paris-Roubaix race and wanted to bring the flavour of that event to the Cotswolds.

Stourbridge CC rider Roger Allen said: "It was incredibly tough this year, very hilly but picturesque. It took me over seven hours to do the 100km."

To join Stourbridge CC log on to www.stourbridgecyclingclub.co.uk for details.

Runners take on the scenic route

TEN members from Stourbridge Running Club took part in the Peopleton Scenic.

The six-mile event goes around the lanes, fields and pastures of Pershore.

First back was Rob Colman, 11th overall from a field of 193 in 41 minutes 55 seconds. Nicholas Sebastian was 55th in 44.58 and Steven Birch 55th in 48.06.

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GLASSBOYS SECURE PLACE IN TOP FIVE

Gosport Borough 1 Stourbridge 3

GARY HACKETT'S men secured a top five finish and a play-off berth with a battling away win over fellow promotion contenders Gosport Borough.

The Evo-Stik Southern Premier victory came in atrocious conditions at a rain-soaked Privett Park with the pitch scarcely playable by the final whistle.

Stourbridge were up against it in the first period, with the home side having the advantage of the slope and wind, but the visitors stuck to their task manfully.

In the fifth minute Ben Billingham intercepted a loose pass and cut in from the right before hitting a 25-yard shot wide of Nathan Ashmore's right-hand post.

Opportunity

On 22 minutes the Glassboys opened the scoring from an excellent 25-yard free-kick from Sean Geddes which went over the Gosport wall and past the keeper into the top right-hand corner.

Nine minutes before the break Stourbridge had a good opportunity to double their advantage when Jordan Fitzpatrick found himself clear, but shot past the far post from 15 yards out.

Stourbridge had more favourable conditions after the re-start and just six minutes in, struck a decisive

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blow with a second goal, scored by Billingham.

Midway through the half, the Glassboys saw Luke Benbow sent off for a second booking.

Jamie Oliver was close to a bizarre 73rd minute goal when his clearance from inside his own half carried on in the wind and deceived Ashmore, but bounced just wide of the post.

As the surface continued to deteriorate, Gosport began to apply more pressure and with seven minutes remaining Dan Wooden's shot was deflected in.

In a tense finale Gosport were themselves reduced to 10 men in the 88th minute after Tom Dunford saw red for pushing Nathan Bennett to the floor and then as the game entered stoppage time Billingham scored a comical third goal to wrap up the win.

Club all set for Community Day

SATURDAY'S final home league match of the season for Stourbridge will be their Community Day fixture.

Prices are reduced (adults £6, pensioners £3, juniors £2 and those aged 11 and under free) for the game with Bashley as part of a weekend of events to raise money for the Mary Stevens Hospice charity. The day will also feature rides, tombolas, bouncy castles and face painting.

On Sunday, Stourbridge host a charity match between an Old Boys side and a West Midlands All-Stars team (2 pm).

Youngsters to enjoy day out at Twickenham



Stourbridge youngsters celebrate their joint trophy success after the county finals. Pictures: Tony Lewis

YOUNG Stourbridge rugby players are off to Twickenham after securing county championship glory.

The under-11 side from Stourbridge RFC were the only undefeated team at Dudley Kingswinford RFC in the Land Rover Premiership Rugby Cup/Gallis Trophy.

They tied a pulsating final 10-10 with Silhillians - and now both teams are off to rugby HQ. They will join the parade of champions on May 25 before the Premiership final.

Stourbridge ran out as group winners at DK, beating the home team, eventual fellow finalists Silhillians and Wolverhampton to finish as pool winners. They then disposed of Luctonians and Bredon in the knockout phase.

Stourbridge ran in 21 tries in their six games, conceding only three.

Head coach Richard Walker said: "I am very proud of all the squad."

"To win such a prestigious, tough competition is just reward for all of their hard work."



Stourbridge's Cameron Ritchie in the final with Silhillians in hot pursuit



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